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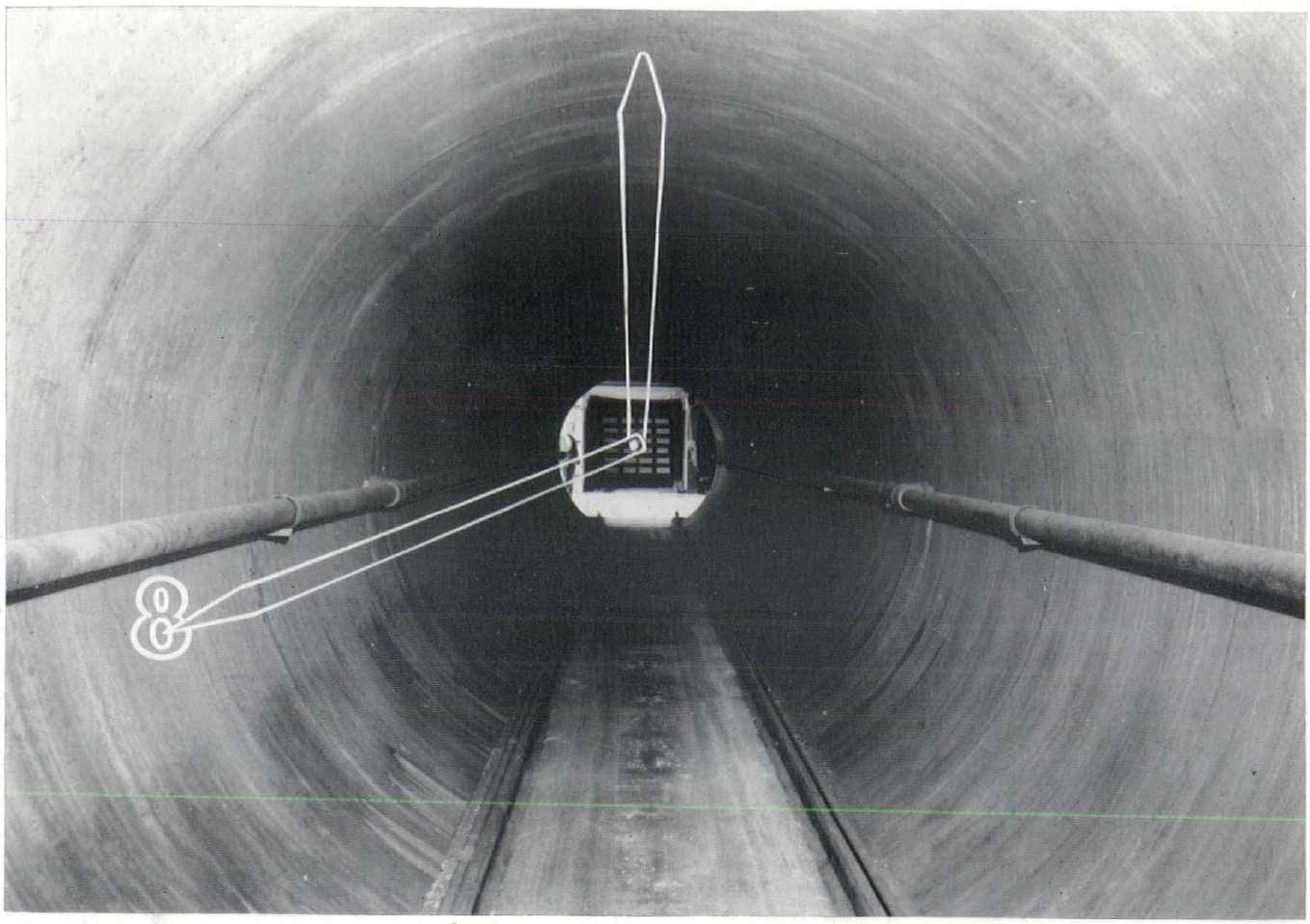

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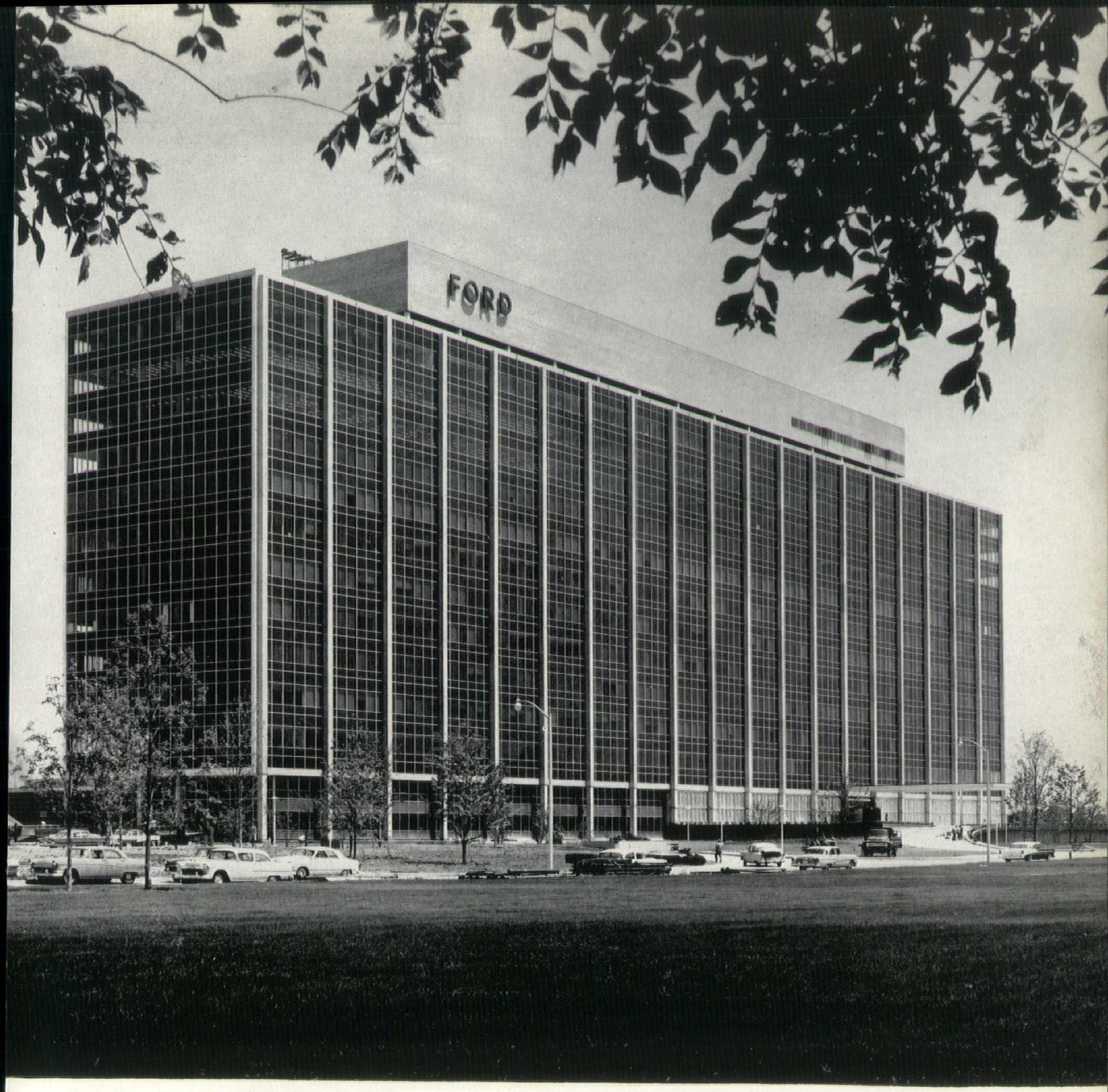

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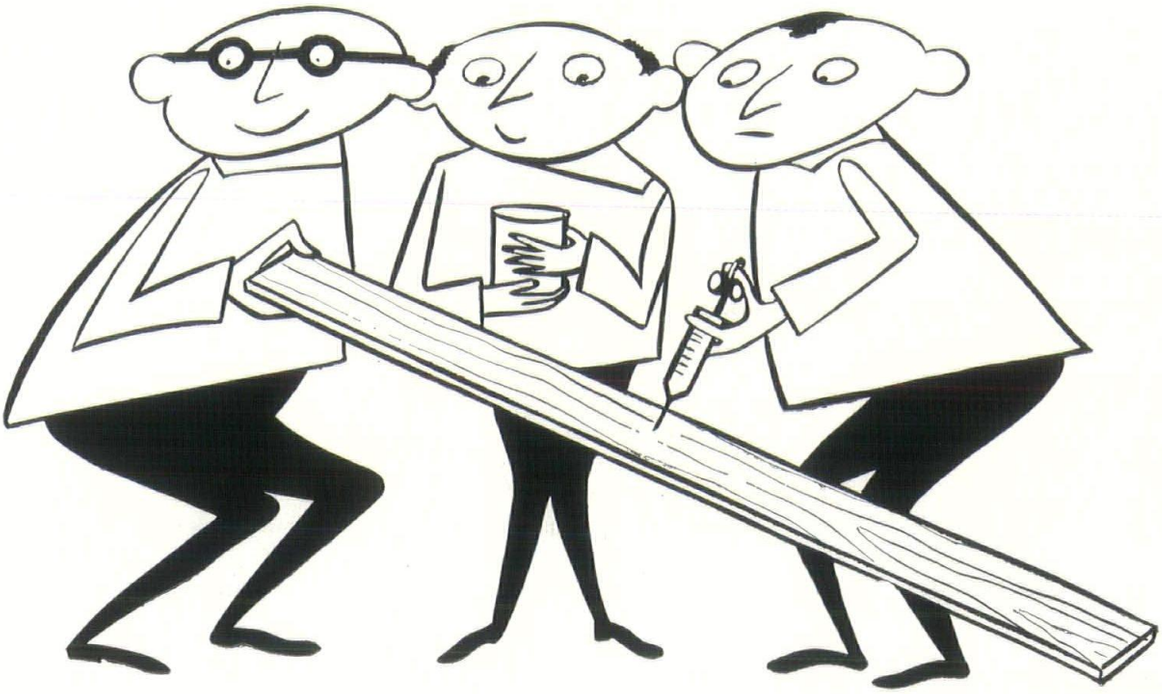

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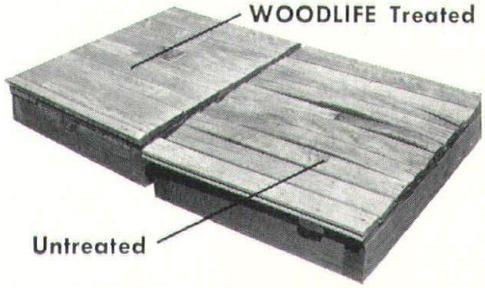

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It is the feeling of the Board of Auditors that in advertising for bids for services they are complying with the spirit and letter of the law. In answer to your question as to whether the architect selected complied with all the requiremetns stated in our general specifications, please be advised that Victor J. Basso the architect selected, who incidentally is a member of your Institute of Architects, did not comply with the specifications but complied strictly in conformance to A.I.A. regulations. Mr. Basso submitted a letter to the Wayne County Auditors in which he stated he felt that "it would be improper to set a cost limitation on the work from which a fixed fee professional services could be based." As to your question of whether there was more than one bid, the only bid received was the bid of Mr. Victor J. Basso.

Please be assured that the Auditors feel your interest in our method of operation is a good, healthy, democratic interest, and any suggestions which you may have for bettering the operation will be well received.—RICHARD T. KELLY, Executive Secretary.

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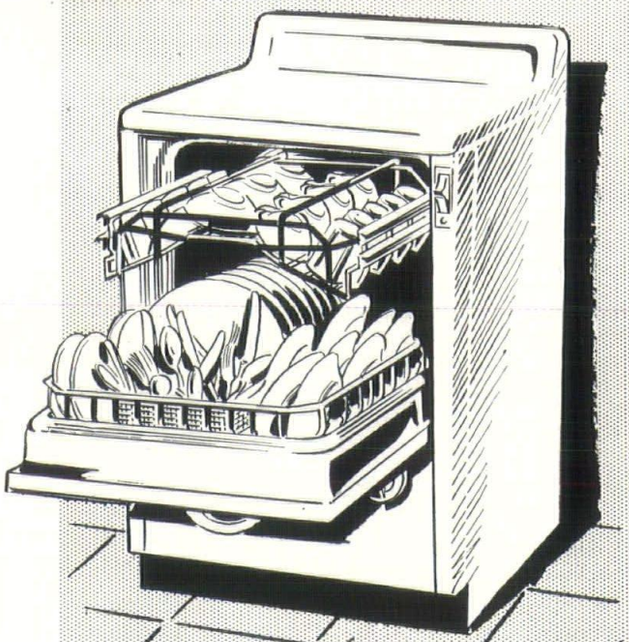

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Bulletin:

It has occurred to me that I have never formally congratulated you upon your completing thirty years of service to the M.S.A. as its official Publisher and Editor, and athough this letter is not in any sense formal it will bring to you the appreciation of one who has profited by your continuous devotion to the affairs of the profession locally and nationally.

Having known you all this time, I can remember the modest but effective start which you made, your perseverence under adverse circumstances and your present position as the Editor and Publisher of one of the leading, if not the leading, chapter publications.

The Bulletin has served not only to inform and instruct the members of the Michigan Society of Architects, but its high caliber and success have inspired other chapters across the nation and your good work has been multiplied many times. The entire profession is in your debt.—Clair W. Ditchy

Why Do We Need School Architects?

An editorial in the Lapeer County Press, "America's Largest Rural Weekly," published in Lapeer, Mich., (May 10, 1956).

Because there are no standardized, approved plans, each new school requires the services of an architect. Fees range up to 10% for small buildings.

New plans and an architect for every school are a luxury we can't afford. And in some cases, judging by examples of poor school design we've seen, an architect cannot even be rated as a luxury. Too often, he's a quack selling amateurish work that the school district will be stuck with for 50 years.

Millions could be saved if our State Department of Public Instruction would commission the best architects to design two or three dozen types of schools. From these plans, individual districts could choose the school best suited to their needs.

The architect's fee would be eliminated. School boards would be getting plans of proven efficiency. Contractors would grow familiar with these standardized plans and could bid much closer, we're told.

Over a period of time, these plans could be refined and costs compared. School boards could study the records and know what their building and maintenance costs of these standard schools would be.

Nothing need be compulsory. School boards—if they could sell their voters on the idea—would still be free to hire an architect and build a different school if they chose. But, within a few years, we think the wiser boards everywhere would take advantage of these tested and proven designs available at no cost.

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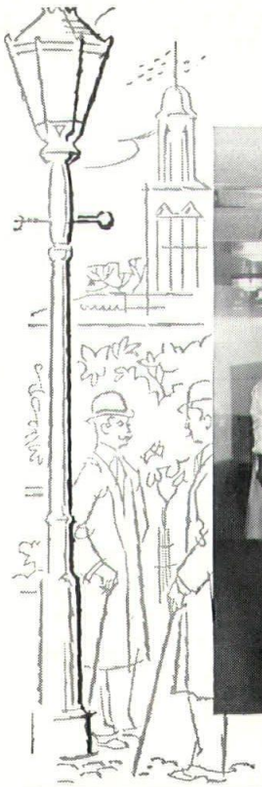

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Architects have much in common with lawyers. In fact, they say architects sometimes practice law. In the case of Sheill vs. Howard in the court of the County of Sanilac, Mich. on January 7, 1950, Judge Shirley Stewart ruled that architect Sheill's contract with his client was illegal because it provided that the architect would draft forms of proposals and contracts. The point at issue was never clearly decided, but the standard forms of The American Institute of Architects were changed to state that the architect would furnish the necessary information for the owner and his client to prepare such proposals and contracts. Many architects felt it would have been just as well to let the ruling stand, as it would tend to strengthen the principle of registration in general. This is in line with our favoring lower fees, because we lose less that way, especially when we have to engage lawyers to collect. One architect asked another if he were nervous when he had to request payment from a cleint. He said, no, he was calm and collected.

Martin Mayer, writing in Harper's Magazine about "The Wall Street Lawyer—the elite corps of American business," states:

"There is an old story about the young man fresh out of law school who came into his father's office and began going through the files with an idea of straightening things out. He came across an overstuffed folder with records of a court action that had been dragging on over the years, and found that the point remaining at issue between the parties was relatively insignificant. He called the attorney on the other side and in five minutes closed out the case. Then he went to his father's room and proudly announced, 'I've settled the Frammis matter.'

"Everything cleaned up?" the father asked, "all statements agreed upon?"

"That's right," said the boy.

"Well," said the father, heavily, "when you leave the office this evening, lock the door and throw away the keys, because we are out of business."

No doubt, there is considerable difference between an attorney and a patent attorney. I am something of an inventor myself. I invented a device to enable one to see through a brick wall. It is called a window. This led to windowless buildings, or at least to a controversy as to whether they should be all glass or windowless. As the late Albert Kahn once related, when women employees learned that claustrophobia meant fear of confinement, they all voted against it.

Criticism of an architect's work is not practiced as freely as in the case of art or literature. There seems to be more fear of law suits. One critic wrote that a certain architect was the worst in the world. Upon being sued by the architect, the critic wrote of the architect's next project that he was not up to his usual standard.

At any rate, the accusation is made by some that modern architecture is such that if an architect can't design it's no handicap.

There have been doubts expressed about equality under the law, especially with regard to architecture and the allied arts. No one cares if a banker writes a bad poem, but a poet who writes a bad check is sent to jail. Most unheard-of thing I've ever heard of!

Oh, well, they say old bankers never die, they just lose interest. This applies also to architects to some extent. One states that he keeps young by associating with the men in the drafting room, by learning their slang and weaknesses, and mimicking them once in a while.

Specifications are contract documents and a great deal of legality rides on them at times. "No changes likely to cause the building to collapse shall be made without the permission of the architect."

Or the architect who had a painter do a mural for one of his buildings—after prevailing upon the artist to write a brief specification covering the installation, the artist came up with this:

"The artist shall deliver the painting to the building and the owner shall hang himself."

Any resemblance to stuff you've heard before is purely coincidental.

Much demand for experienced architectural draftsmen, designers and delineators now days. A Chicago architectural office recently asked a Boston referral service for a report on a young Bostonian they were considering employing. The service could not say enough about the young man.

His father ,they wrote, was a Cabot, his mother a Lowell; further back his background was a happy blend of Saltonstalls, Appeltons, Peabodys, and others of Boston's First Families. So, he was recommended highly indeed.

Later there came a curt acknowledgement from Chicago stating that the report was inadequate.

"We are not," the letter declared, "contemplating using the young man for breeding purposes."

FRANK LLOYD WRIGHT, world-famed architect, has just become registered in Michigan, it is announced by the Michigan State Board of Registration for Architects, Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors.

When Mr. Wright recently submitted to the Detroit Department of Buildings and Safety Engineering a plan for the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Turkel to be built at Seven Mile Road and Strathcona Drive in Detroit, it was necessary for the plans to bear the seal of an architect registered in Michigan, so the Board approved Mr. Wright's application on March 9.

This brings to mind a story that is characteristic of Mr. Wright: When the 86-year-old master was testifying in a court case, he was asked whom he considered the greatest architect of all time, he replied, "I am."

Asked later if he did not consider his testimony a bit immodest, he replied, "Well, I was under oath, wasn't I?"

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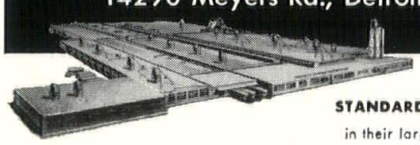

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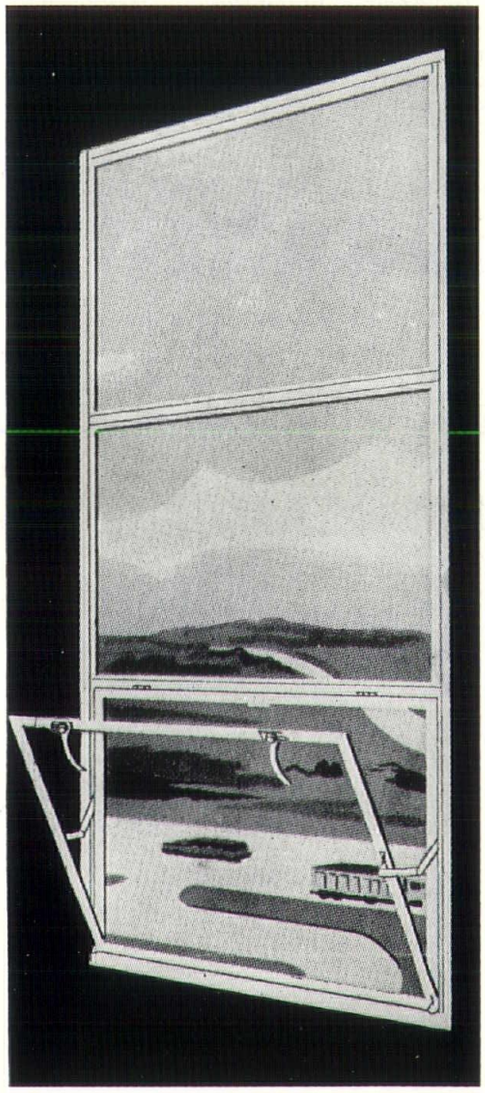

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California

WILLIAM STEPHEN ALLEN, has been elected 1956-57 president of the Northern California Chapter, A.I.A. Other officers elected were: William Corlett, vice president; Worley Wong, secretary; Donald Smith, treasurer; Corwin Booth, director. The chapter is celebrating its 75th anniversary.

PAUL R. WILLIAMS, A.I.A., Los Angeles architect, has been awarded an honorary degree of Doctor of Fine Arts at Tuskegee Institute in Alabama.

He was cited at the institutes 75th anniversary commencement exercises for "the unwavering excellence of his work and the sustained surge of those creative ideas which have distinctly identified his contributions to architecural design."

Williams, a graduate of the University of California, designed the Beverly-Wilshire Hotel, the Sunset Plaza Apartments in Hollywood and the Music Corp. of America Bldg. in Beverly Hills.

Washington, D.C.

ARTHUR BROWN, JR., F.A.I.A., nationally known San Francisco architect, has been named to a three-man advisory commission for the multi-million dollar remodeling of the United States Capitol.

Serving with him will be John Harbeson, F.A.I.A., of Philadelphia and Henry R. Shepley, F.A.I.A., of Boston.

Florida

LOYD FRANK VANN, A.I.A., announced the reorganization of his offices for the general practice of architecture and engineering. The new firm will be known as Loyd Frank Vann Associates, Architects. Associate members of the firm are William A. Papy, III, and A. Albert Mandel. The firm is located at 1674 Coral Way, Miami.

Georgia

"A HALF CENTURY OF ARCHITECTURAL EDUCATION EXHIBITION" was held recently at the School of Architecture of the Georgia Institute of Technology. The program was made possible by a grant from the Georgia Tech Foundation, Inc., featuring work done by alumni of the school.

Seventy-one buildings designed by former students and associated alumni made up the display. They cover a wide range of architectural projects—residential, commercial, industrial, religious, educational, recreational, health facilities and public buildings.

The most historically significant work is the Techwood Housing Project in Atlanta. Designed by the late Flippen D. Burge and Preston S. Stevens, the buildings, completed in 1937, were the first federally financed slum clearance project in the United States. Mr. Stevens is now a partner of Stevens & Wilkson.

The exhibit will be circulated nationally by the Smithsonian Institute In Washington, D. C.

Louisiana

EDWARD B. SILVERSTEIN was elected president of the New Orleans Chapter, A.I.A. Also elected were Earl L. Mathes, vice president; Albert J. Wolf, Jr., secretary and M. Wayne Stoffle, treasurer. Elected to the executive committee were John E. Dinwiddle and Carl Olschner, the retiring president.

Michigan

WILLIAM S. KINNE, Jr., A.I.A. has been appointed to the executive staff of the Kawneer Company, of Niles, Michigan, as Director of Architectural-Planning, it is announced by Lawrence J. Plym, president of the company.

Kinne, professor of architecture at the University of Illinois, Urbana, is president of the Central Illinois Chapter of The American Institute of Architects.

"Professor Kinne will have broad responsibilities in Kawneer's programming of the future," president Plym states, "and coordination of design and construction for office research, engineering and manufacturing facilities of the company will come under his jurisdiction. He will assist in developing closer professional relations with the architectural and engineering professions to determine what they need in the way of assistance from our research department and what the building industry needs in the way of product development."

Professor Kinne, a native of Madison, Wis., was educated at the Universities of Wisconsin and Illinois. He was a student apprentice in the office of Madison Architects-Engineers during his college years there, and after graduation he became a designer on the Wisconsin State Architect's staff.

Later he worked as architect and building engineer for the New York Central Railroad, and in 1945 he became chief architect for Leuw, Cather & Company, Chicago engineers. In 1949, he left the firm to become professor of architecture at the U. of I., but he still maintained a practice as consulting architect and engineer.

Besides the A.I.A., his other affiliations include the Building Research Institute of the National Academy of Sciences, and the National Housing Research Council.

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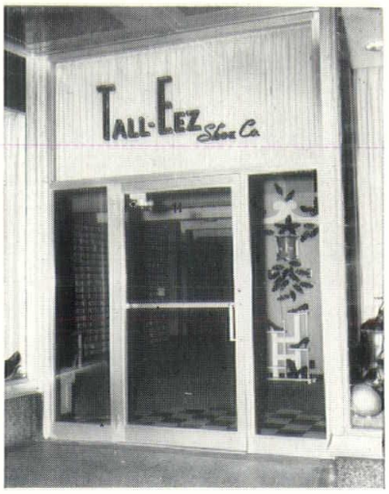

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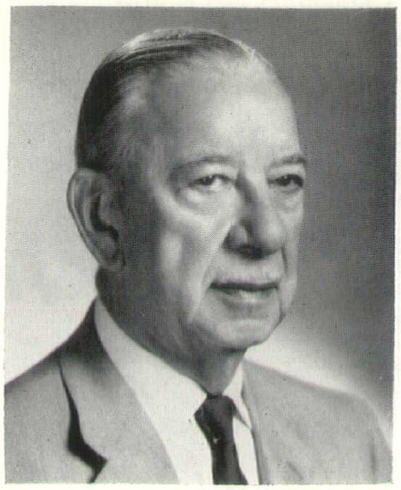


Roger Allen, F.A.I.A.

Central Michigan College awarded an honorary doctor of law degree to Roger Allen, F.A.I.A., nationally known Grand Rapids architects, lecturer and writer, at its recent commencement.

Other distinguished citizens who received honorary degrees from the College were Leland I. Doan, of Midland, Michigan, President of Dow Chemical Company; Mrs. Fred L. Keeler, of Grand Rapids, President of the Michigan Congress of Parents and Teachers; John K. Weiss, of New York, Assistant Vice President of the Fund for the Advancement of Education; John Leighly, Head of the Geography Department of the University of California, and Frank Manley of Flint, Director of the Mott Foundation.

Allen's firm, Roger Allen & Associates, Architects, has served Central Michigan College as its architect since 1940, during its period of greatest expansion.

He served as President of the Western Michigan Chapter, The American Institute of Architects and the Michigan Society of Architects, was made a Fellow of the Institute in 1940, and he received the Gold Medal of the Society in 1954. The Medal, the Society's highest honor, is awarded annually to an architect who has notably contributed to the advancement of the profession of architecture in design, science of construction, or by educational service, service to the Society, or public service.

In expressing his appreciation of the honor, Roger says the citation accompanying the degree was so flattering he had difficulty in believing it referred to him, and he adds:

"My wife believes it though, but Margaret will believe anything complimentary to me. In fact, the only reason she doesn't insist on electing me President of the United States is because I am not eligible—I never played golf in my life. Furthermore, I never had Ileitis. In fact, it is all I can do to spell it. (Ruth E. Johnson, my secretary—the one with red hair—can't spell it at all, and when I spell it for her she just sits there and argues.)"

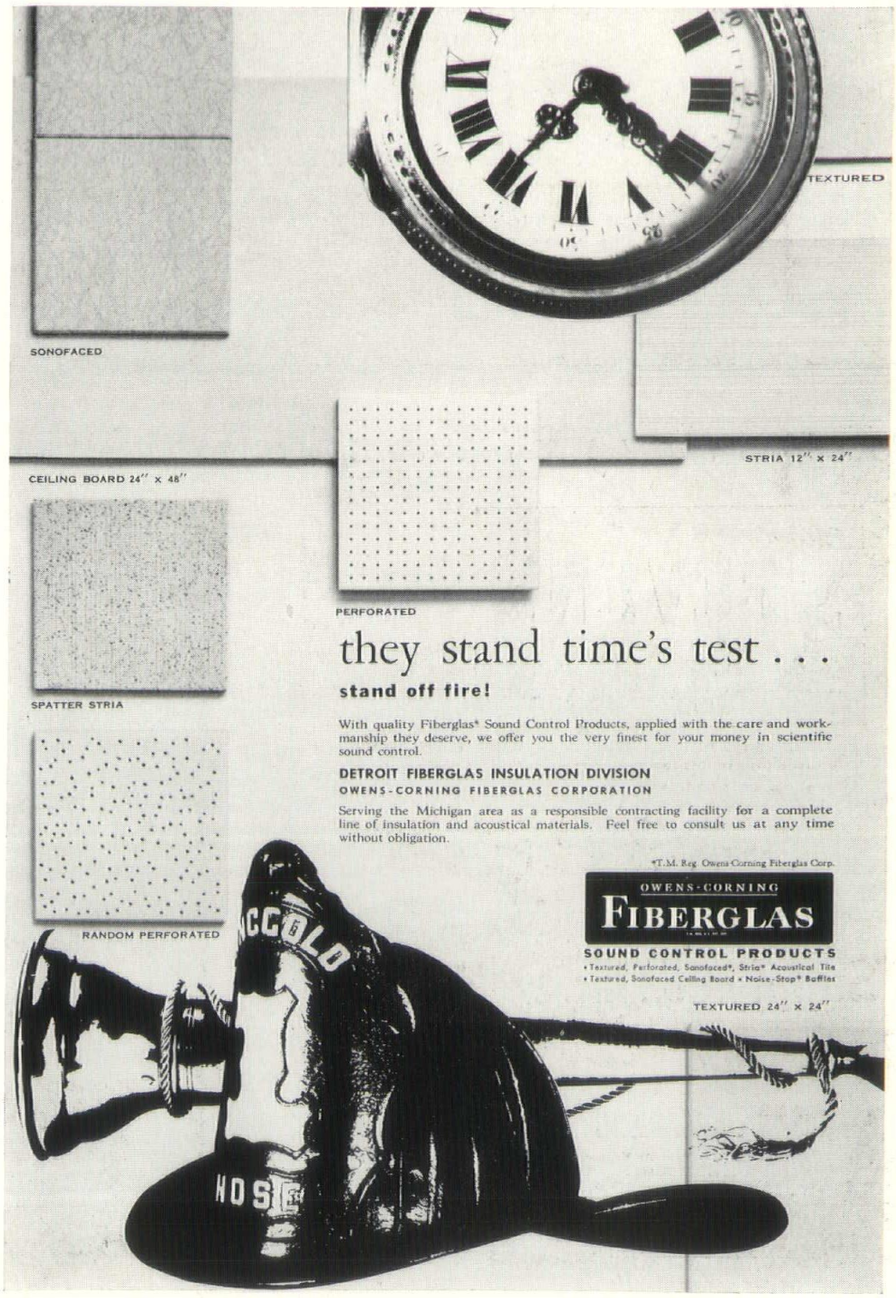
Saarinen Honored

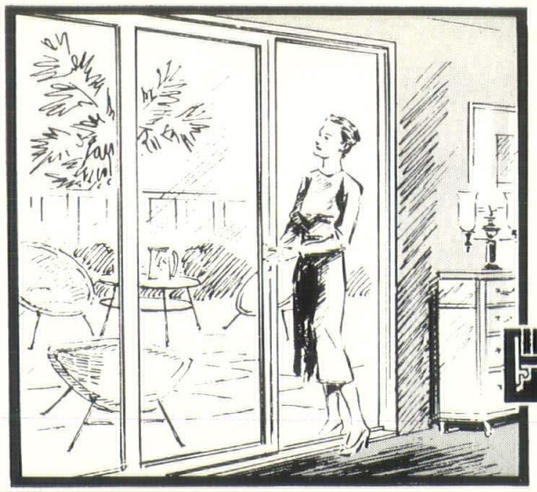
EERO SAARINEN, F.A.I.A., of Bloomfield Hills, Mich., was the subject of Time magazine's cover story for its July 2 issue.

Besides covering the noted architect's personal career and his upbringing by his distinguished father Eliel Saarinen, the article treats of U. S. architecture in general, devotes a two-thirds-page box to "The 20th Century Form Givers," Wright, Le Corbusier, Gropius, Mies van der Rohe, Breuer, Neutra, Harrison, Bunshaft, Philip Johnson, Yamasaki, Pei, Paul Rudolph, Buckminister Fuller and Eduardo Catalano, and it adds:

"Sure sign of the healthy state of U. S. architecture is the large number of promising younger talents. And of the whole U. S. cast of modern architects, none has better proportioned combination of imagination, versatility and good sense than Eero Saarinen, 45, son of late great Finnish-born Architect Eliel Saarinen."

The eight-page feature is a fine statement of U. S. architecture today beautifully illustrated, four pages of which are in full color.





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Architects in the News

Minnesota

THORSHOV & CERNY, INC., Minneapolis architectural firm have announced the appointment as associates of the following five men to their firm. Frederick J. Bentz, Kenneth R. Whitehead, Foster W. Dunwiddie, Willard L. Thorsen and William J. Miller.

Mr. Bentz, is chief draftsman in charge of the architectural working staff. Mr. Whitehead is the firm's project manager. Mr. Dunwiddie will manage the firm's state office building project. Mr. Thorsen manages various large scale shopping centers and other retail developments. Mr. Miller is now supervising work for the new Richfield junior high school.

New Jersey

J. GRIFFITH PHILLIPS was elected president of the Monmouth Ocean Chapter of the New Jersey Society of Architects.

Bernard Kellenyi, was named vice president; David Marner, secretary-treasurer; Frederick Bohlmeyer and Louis J. Farmer, trustees.

New York

ROBERT W. CUTLER, has been elected president of the New York Chapter, A.I.A. Mr. Cutler is a partner in the firm of Skidmore, Owings & Merrill.

Also elected were Harold C. Bernhard, vice president; L. Bancel La Farge, secretary, and Aaron Nathan Kiff, treasurer.

FULBRIGHT AWARDS IN ARCHITECTURE, are available to young American architects to have a chance to study abroad during 1957-58 under the U. S. Government educational exchange program.

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Ohio

BURT V. STEVENS, Akron architect, has been elected president of the Eastern Ohio Chapter, A.I.A. Others elected were: Joseph Tuchman, vice president; Donald L. Bostwick, secretary; Ralph G. Dix, treasurer. P. Arthur D'Orazio, Richard N. Zuber, Trefon Sagadencky and James F. Knapp were named directors.

L. MORGAN YOST, F.A.I.A., an architect who received his technical training in Ohio State University's Dept. of Architecture and who was subsequently instrumental in establishing the present school of Architecture and Landscape Architecture, was honored by the university at the annual conference for engineers.

Mr. Yost was named a "Distinguished Alumnus" by the faculty of the College of Engineering, and was given a certificate of award recognizing his "record of outstanding contributions to the advancement of engineering and related fields of activity."

He is a partner in the firm of Yost and Taylor of Chicago, Ill. Active in the affairs of the A.I.A. Mr. Yost has been president of the Chicago Chapter.

Died

ARTHUR I. MEIGS, F.A.I.A., 65, in his home city of Radnor, Pa., on June 10th. From 1906, until his retirement in 1940, Mr. Meigs was a partner in the firm of Mellor & Meigs. He designed a number of fine homes in the Philadelphia area, and also such buildings as Goodheart Hall at Bryn Mawr College, the Science Laboratory Bldg., at Haverford College, the Charter Club at Princeton Univ., and the bird house in the Philadelphia Zoological Garden. Mr. Meigs received a medal from the Philadelphia Chapter, A.I.A. and the gold medal of the New York Architectural League in 1925.

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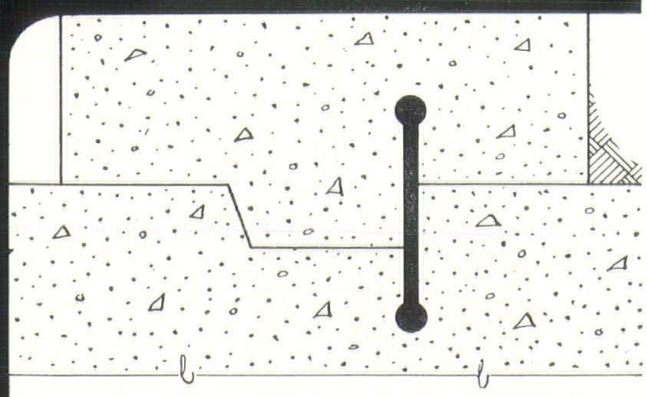

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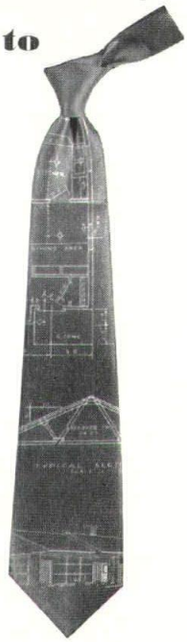

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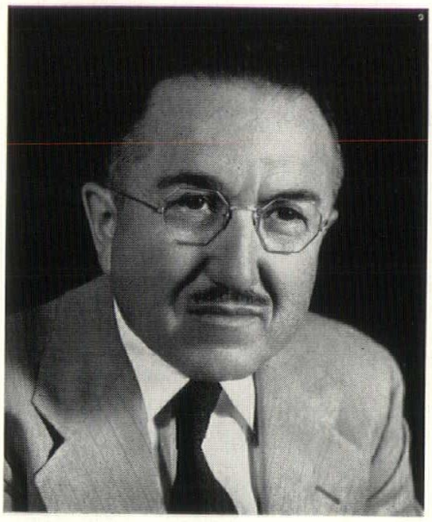
The Society's Board of Directors will meet at breakfast in the Pontiac Room Friday morning, August 3. This will be followed by a business session at 9:00 o'clock, at which Society President Manson will preside. This will sort of drift into a more important and less irksome affair when the well-known raconteur, Clair William Ditchy, F.A. one A. will discourse with pitchers on what he calls the German Reconstruction — Post-War Period. Some of them were taken on the run as he left the East Berlin sector.



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Clair can always be depended upon to fill any assignment, as when I asked him for a book review and it came out 12 pages longer than the book. Native Stone, I think it was.

The afternoons, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, will be given over to lazing in the sun, relaxation, recreation and games, for which there will be prizes. There will be no prize for the laziest. George Anderson Brick Company, of Lansing, will provide golf prizes.

Friday at 5:30 P. M. there will take place that auspicious and delectable occasion commonly known as the President's Reception, though in truth it is a cocktail party sponsored by our genial host, Mr. Gardner Martin, of the Portland Cement Association.

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Satudray morning will be given over to the improvement of the minds of members and guests, when our distinguished Honorary Member, Mr. Wilfred F. Clapp et al from the State's Department of Public Instruction, will conduct a seminar on "Education as a Basis for Design."

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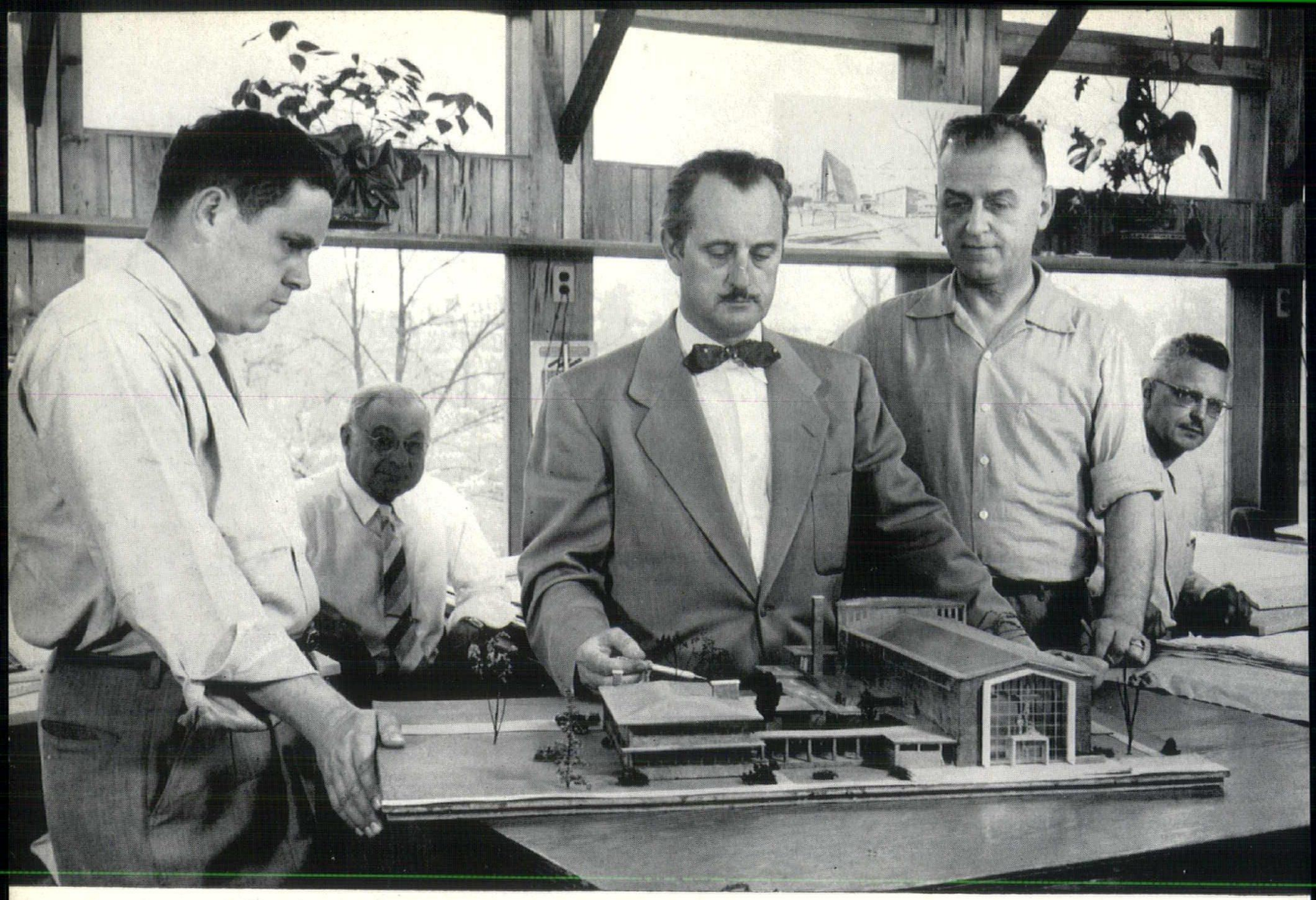
After further relaxation Saturday afternoon, there will be a cocktail party at 5:30 sponsored by the Producers' Council, Michigan Chapter. The Annual Banquet of the Conference Saturday evening will conclude the events. Professor Ralph W. Hammett, A.I.A., of the University of Michigan, College of Architecture and Design, will be toastmaster, and the speaker will be Mr. Thomas H. Creighton, A.I.A., editor of Progressive Architecture. His subject will be "Ten Years in the Editor's Chair."

In attendance will be three officers of the Institute from the Great Lakes District — John N. Richards, F.A.I.A., of Toledo, Ohio, First Vice President; Raymond S. Kastendieck, A.I.A., of Gary, Indiana, Treasurer, and Bergman S. Letzler, A.I.A., of Louisville, Kentucky, Great Lakes Regional Director. Many, many other notables and their wives will also attend.



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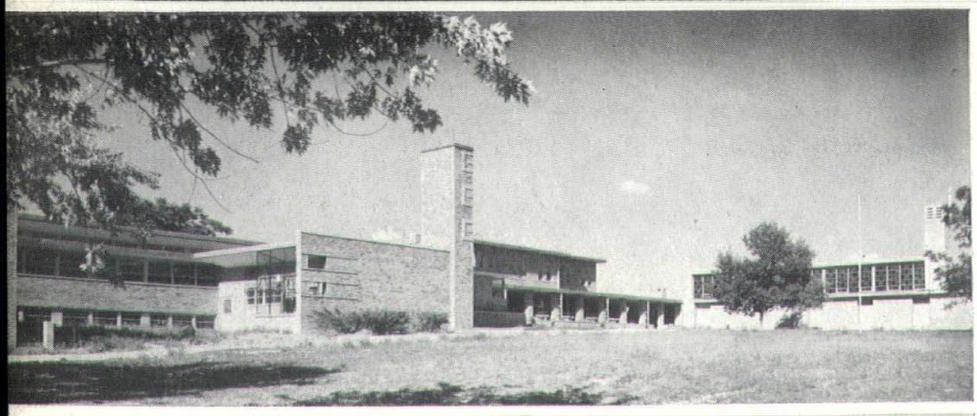

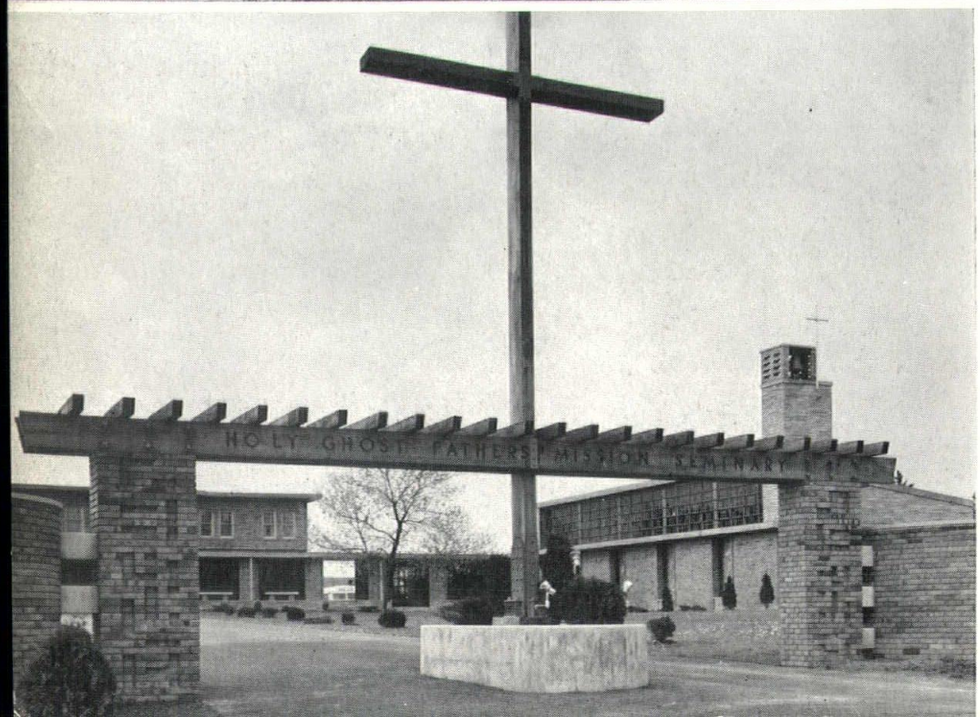

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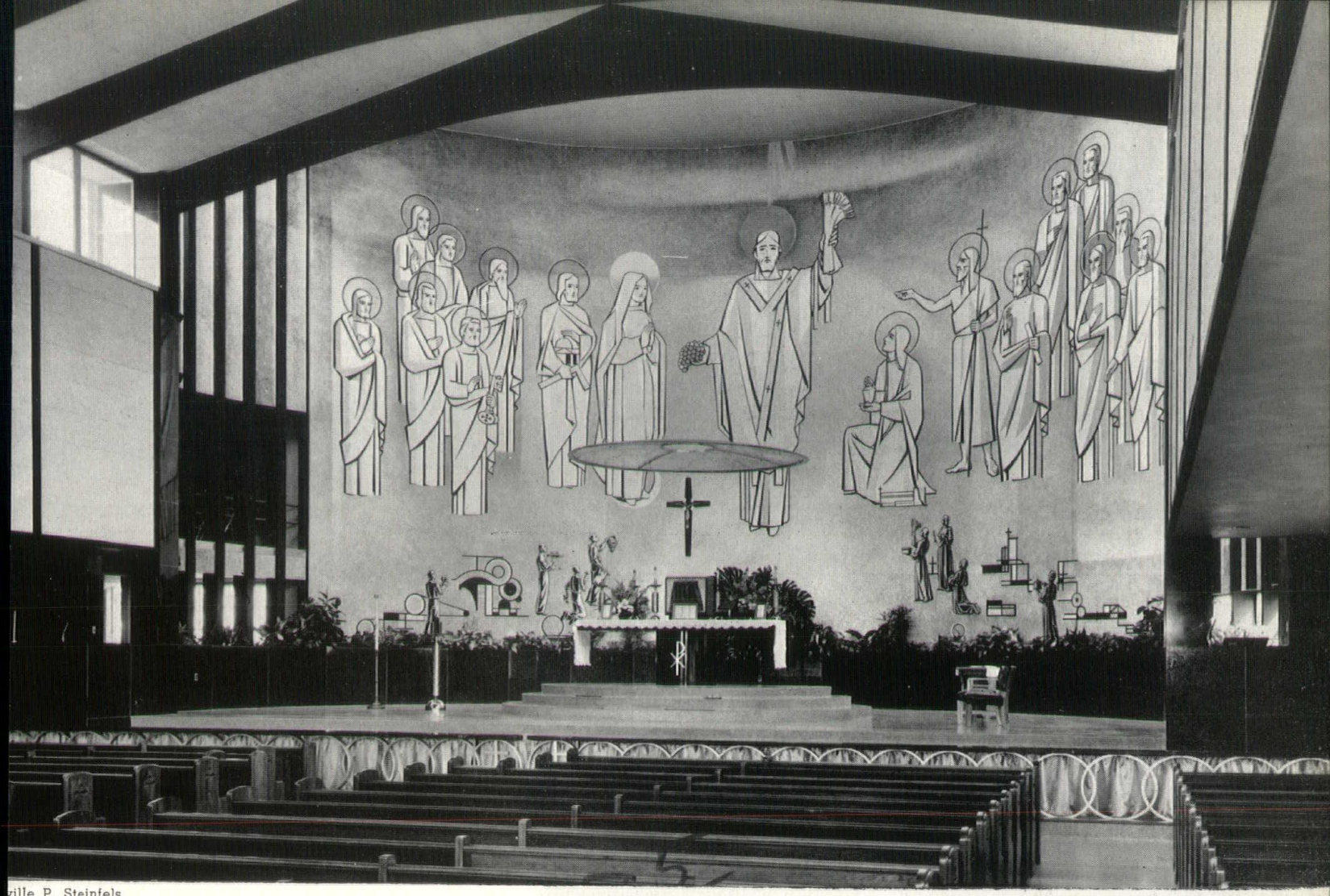
Upper—Chapel Interior

Center—Panoramic View

Lower—Entrance



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MELVINDALE, MICHIGAN
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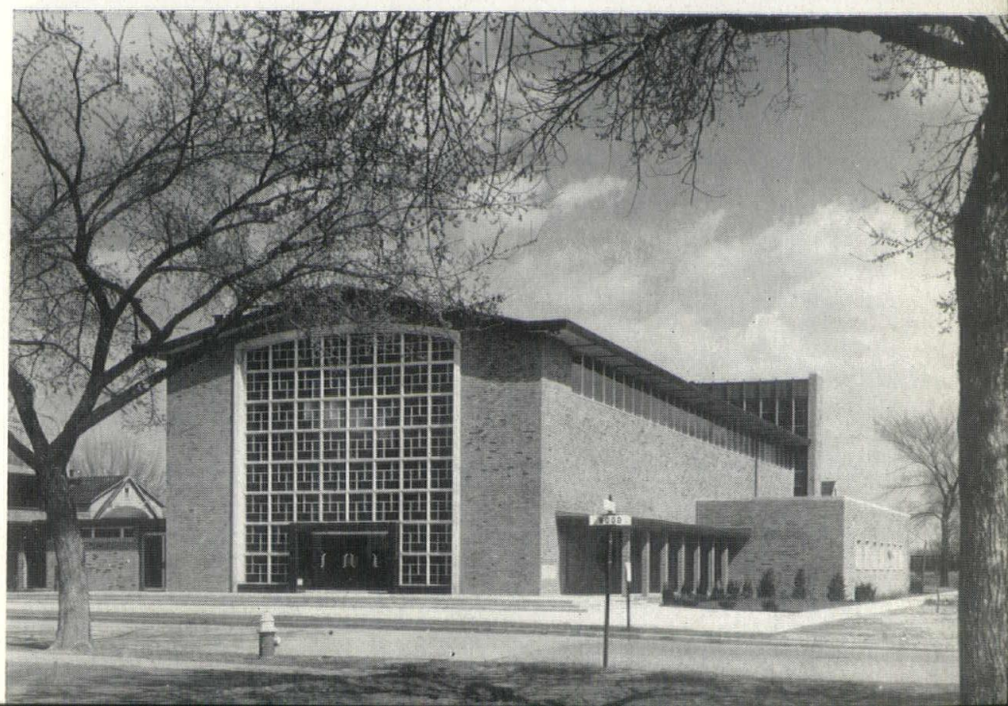
Upper—Interior

Center—Side View

Lower—Front View



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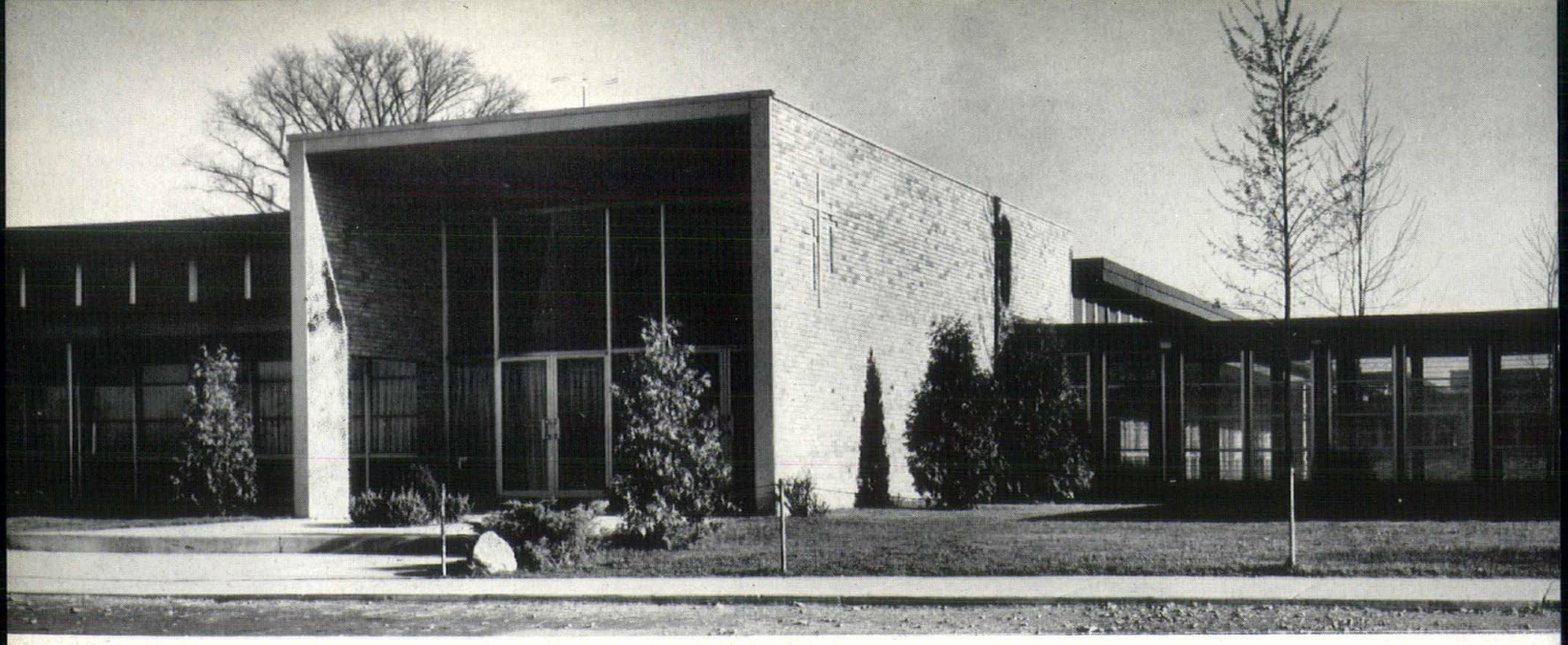

SAINT AGATHA PARISH
REDFORD TOWNSHIP, MICHIGAN
HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING

Upper—North Elevation

Left—Lobby

NEW CHURCH BUILDING
(under construction)

Lower—Model of Bldg.

SAINT WILLIAM'S CHURCH
WALLED LAKE, MICHIGAN

Interior & Exterior Mural
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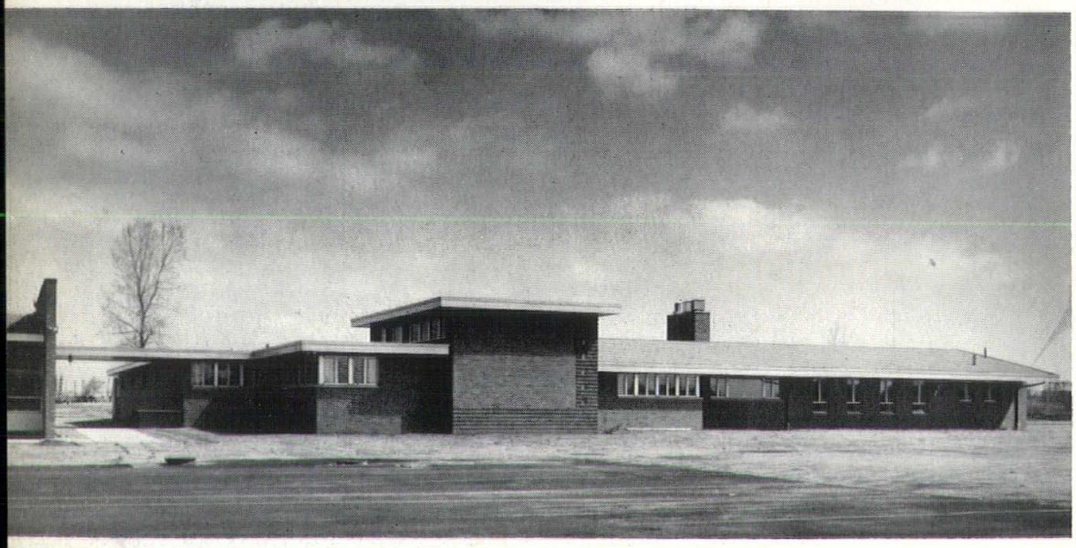
Upper—Front Elevation

Center—Interior

Lower Left—Exterior detail

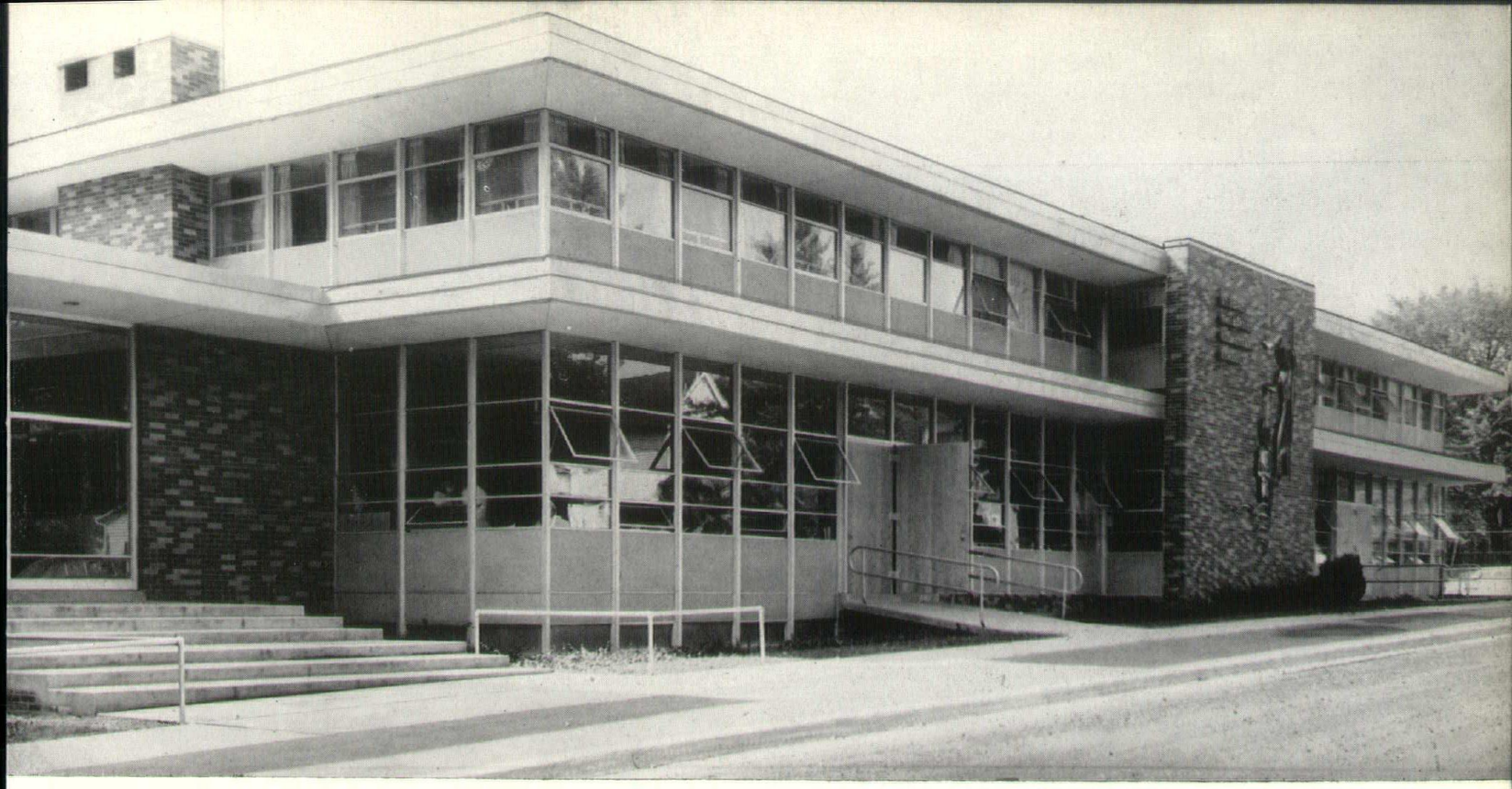


SAINT GERARD PARISH
DETROIT, MICHIGAN
CONVENT BUILDING

Upper Left:
Chapel

Center Left:
South Elevation

Lower Left:
Interior View



ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST
PARISH, YPSILANTI, MICH.
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND
CONVENT BUILDING

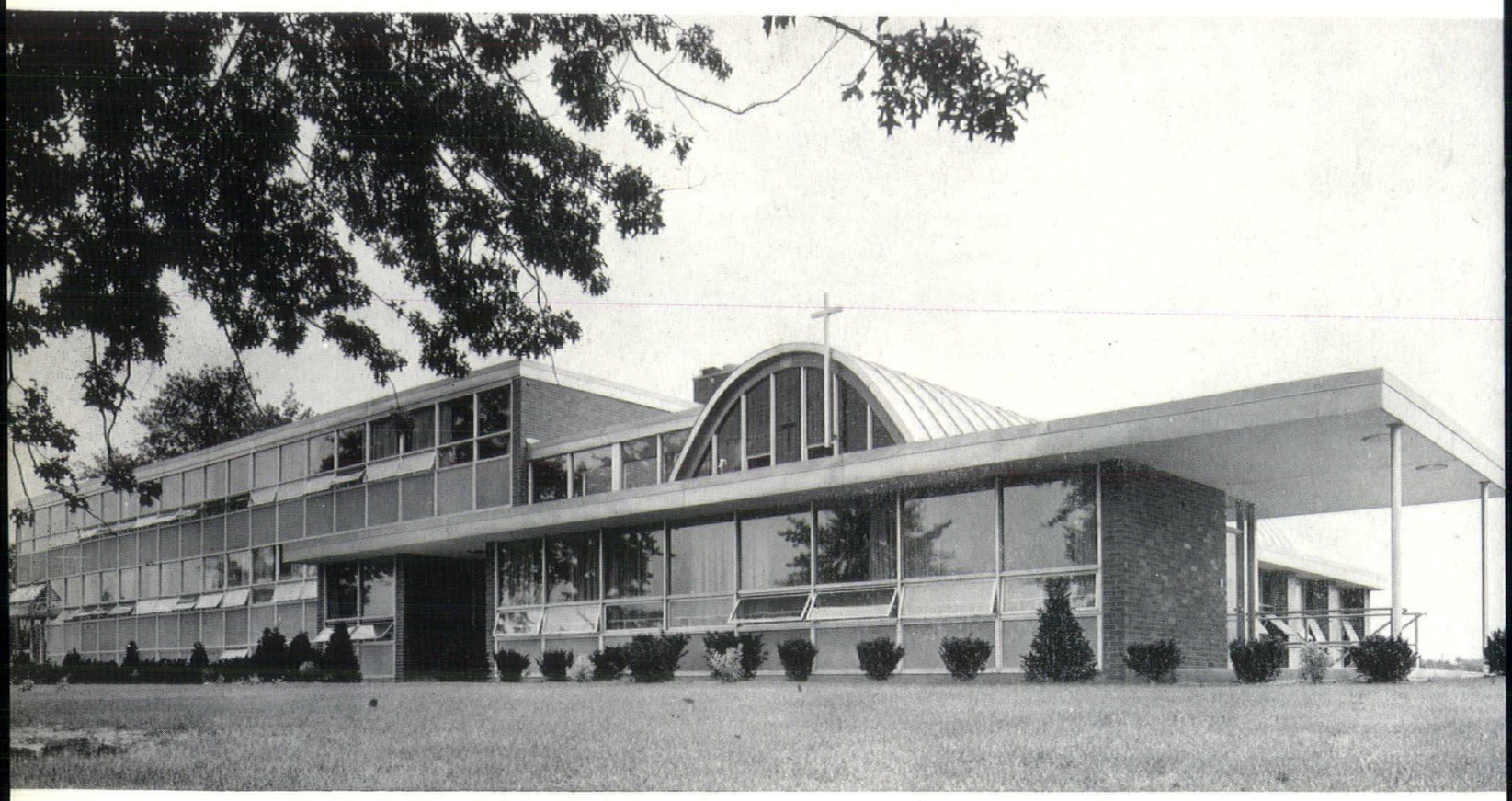
School—First Floor

Convent—Second Floor

Upper:
Exterior Elevation

Center:
Exterior detail

Lower:
Roof Garden



CATHOLIC CENTRAL
FACULTY HOUSE
Detroit, Michigan

Upper Left:
Main Entrance

Lower Left:
Faculty Chapel

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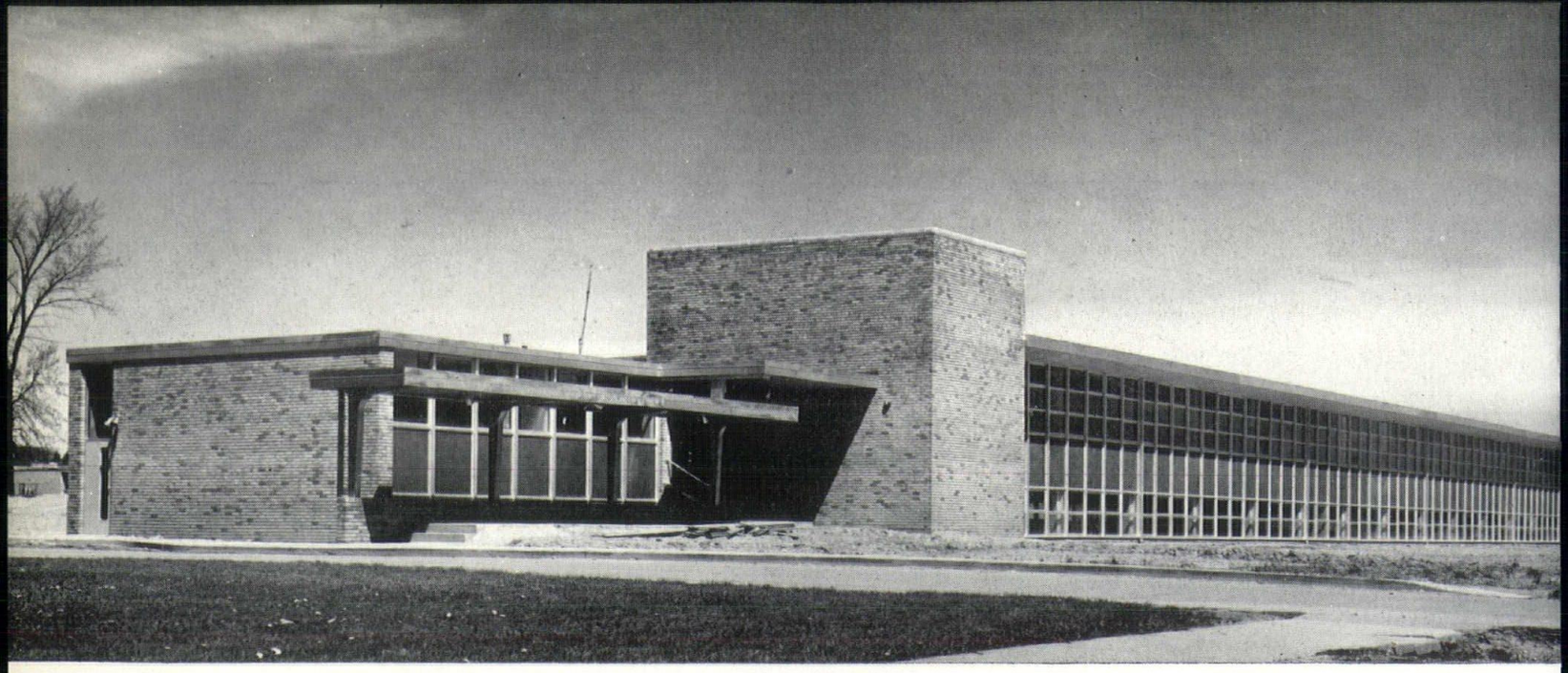
CHRIST THE GOOD SHEPHERD
PARISH, Lincoln Park,
Michigan

Upper Right:
Auditorium-Church and
Elementary School

Lower Right:
Sanctuary
Mural by Jean Charlot



OUR LADY OF SORROWS PARISH, Farmington, Mich.
HIGH SCHOOL & CONVENT

Upper:
High School

Center:
Convent Interior

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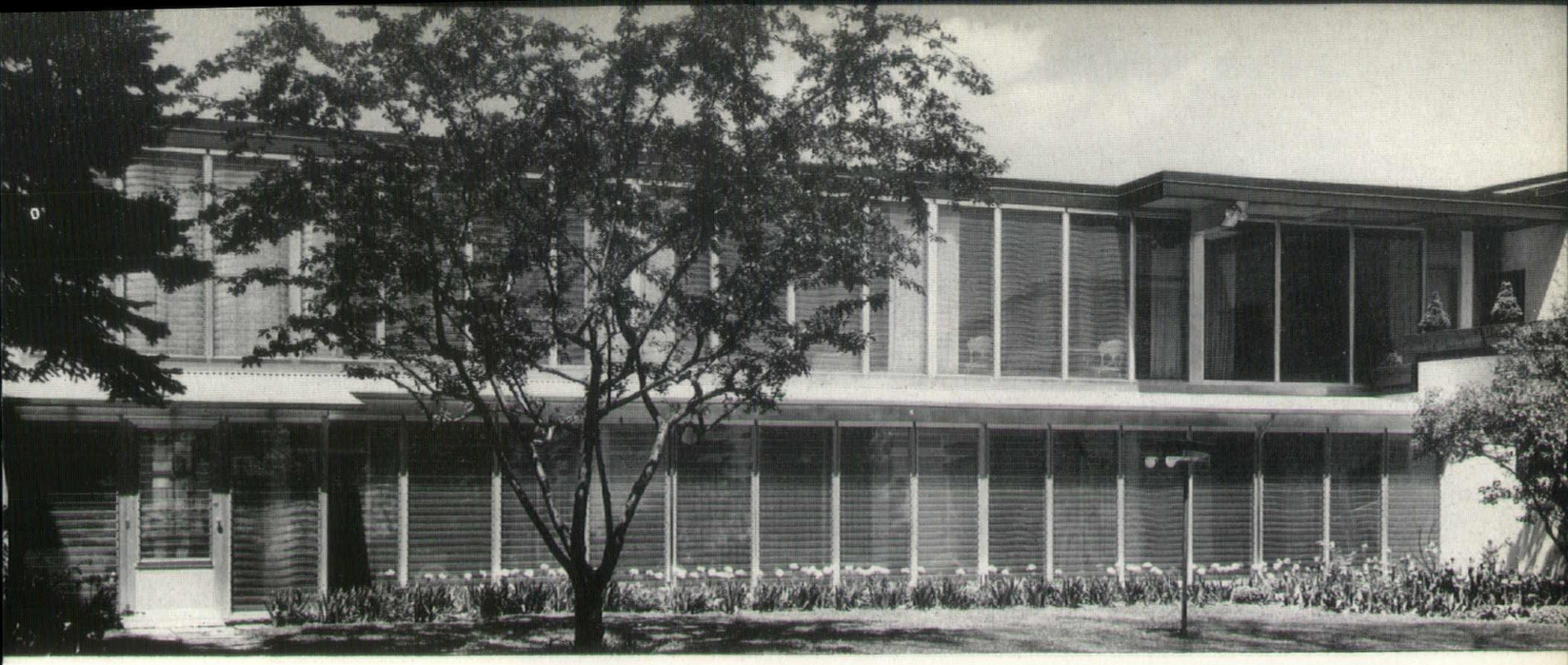
Convent Exterior



ADDITION TO RECTORY

Shrine of Little Flower

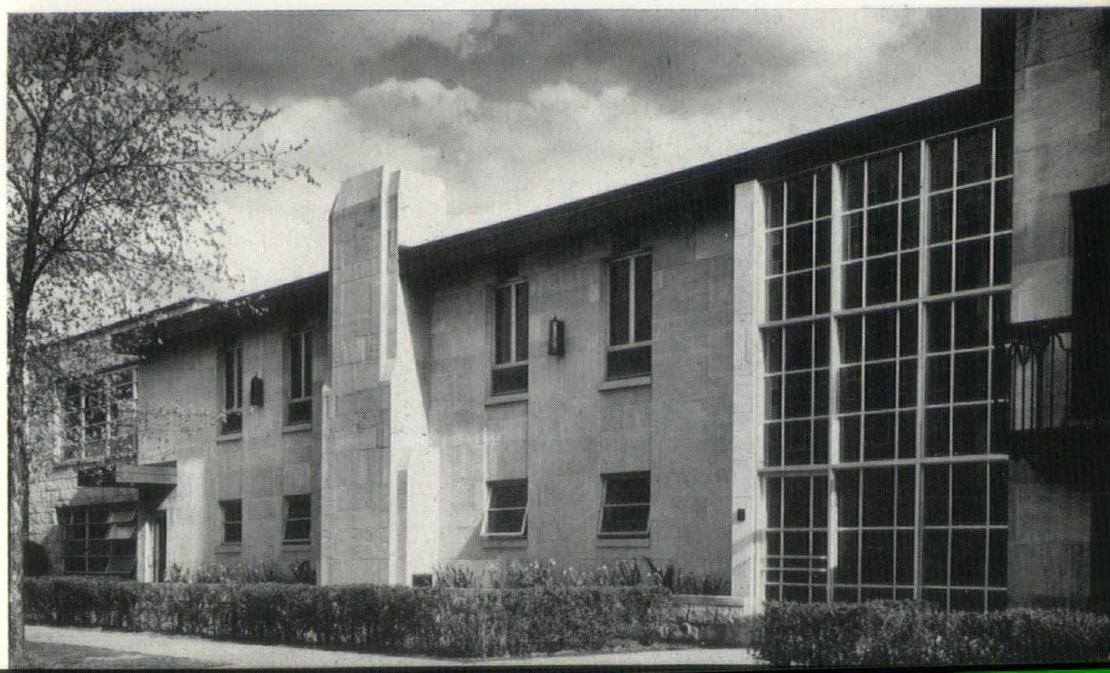
Rev. Chas. E. Coughlin
Pastor

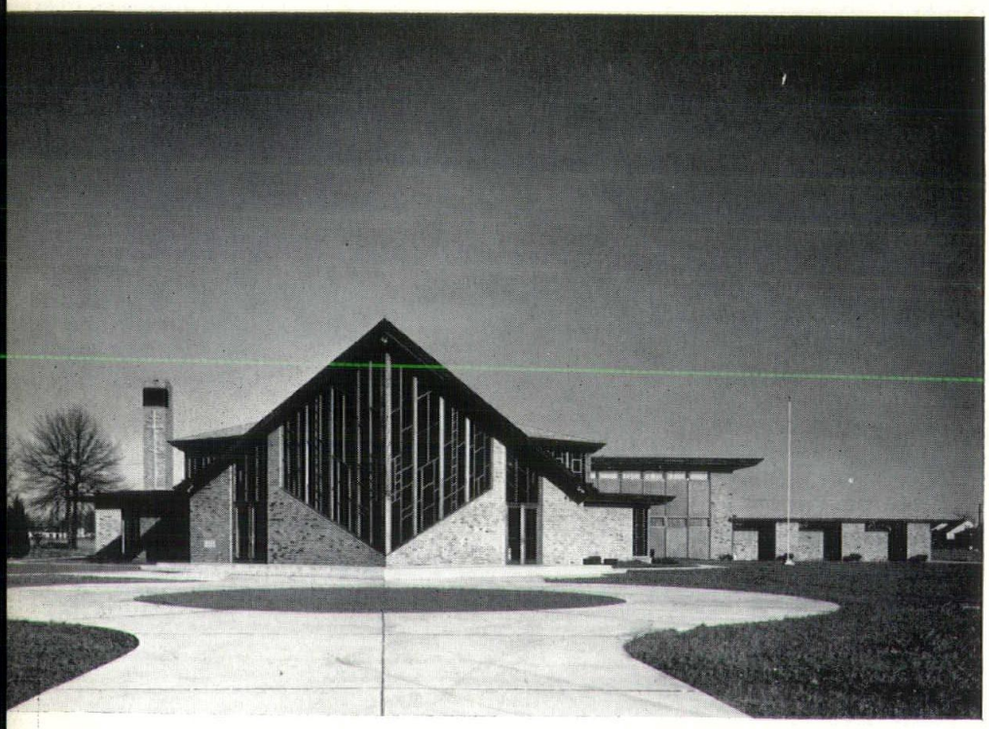
Royal Oak, Michigan

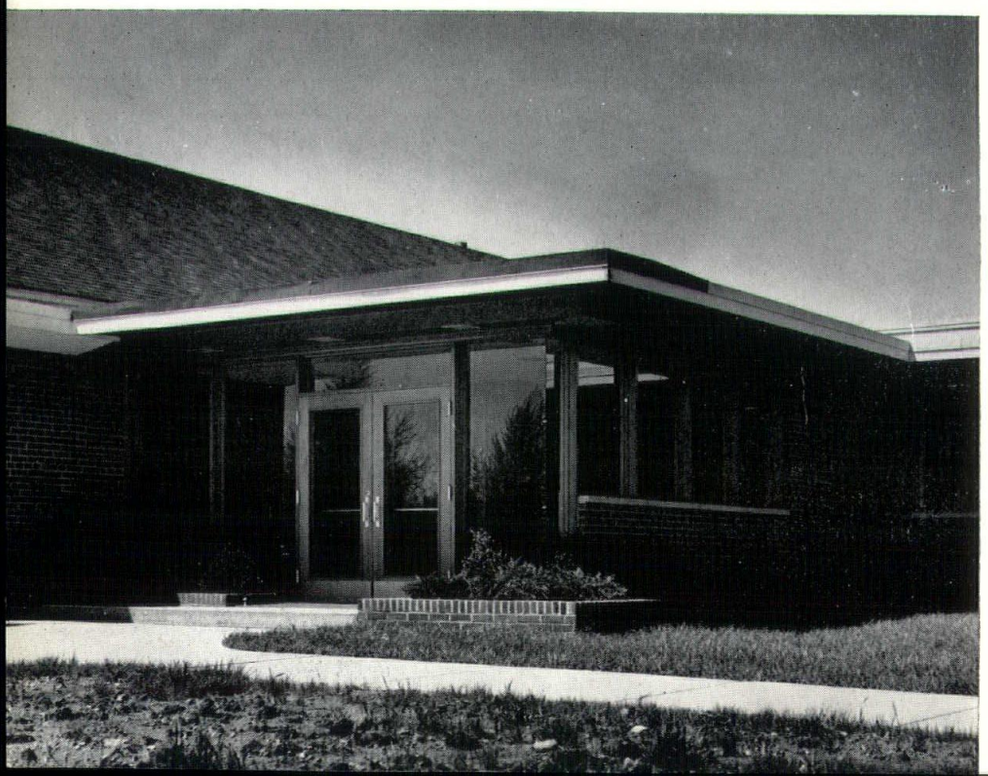
Upper:
Garden Elevation

Center:
Interior View

Lower:
Front Elevation







TWO GREEK CATHOLIC CHURCHES
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Upper:
St. Stephen's Allen Park, Mich.

Center:
St. Michael's, Flint, Michigan

Lower:
Detail—entrance to
Elementary School Addition
Our Shepherd Lutheran Parish
Royal Oak, Michigan

Across Page:

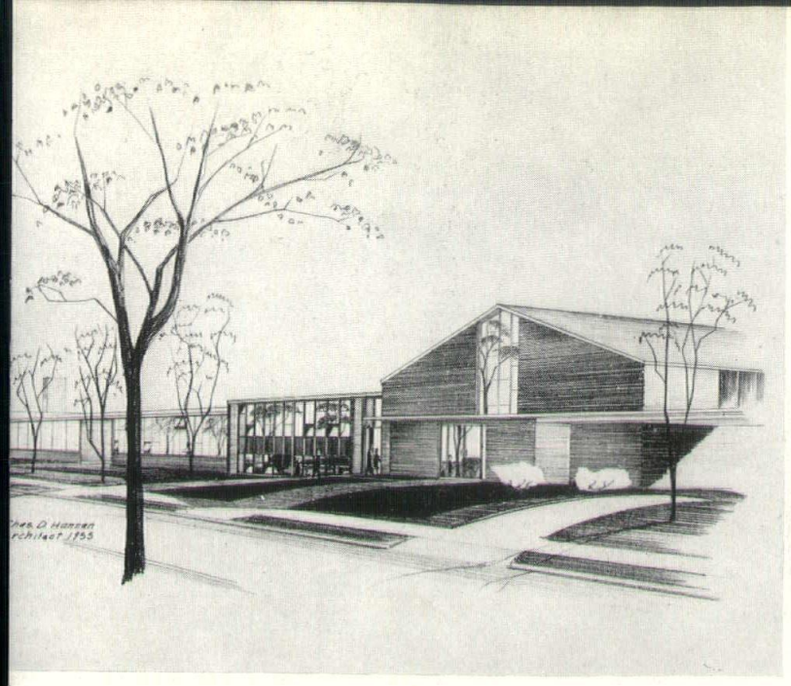
Upper Left:
Church and School Addition
St. Luke Parish, Flint, Mich.
(under construction)

Upper Right:
Elementary School Addition
Shrine of the Little Flower
Royal Oak, Michigan
Completed 1955

Center:
Racco Elementary School
Taylor Township School District
Taylor Center, Michigan
Completed 1955

Lower Left:
Church and Hall
Good Shepherd Lutheran Parish
Redford Township, Michigan

Lower Right:
Auditorium-Church
St. Mark Parish
Van Dyke, Michigan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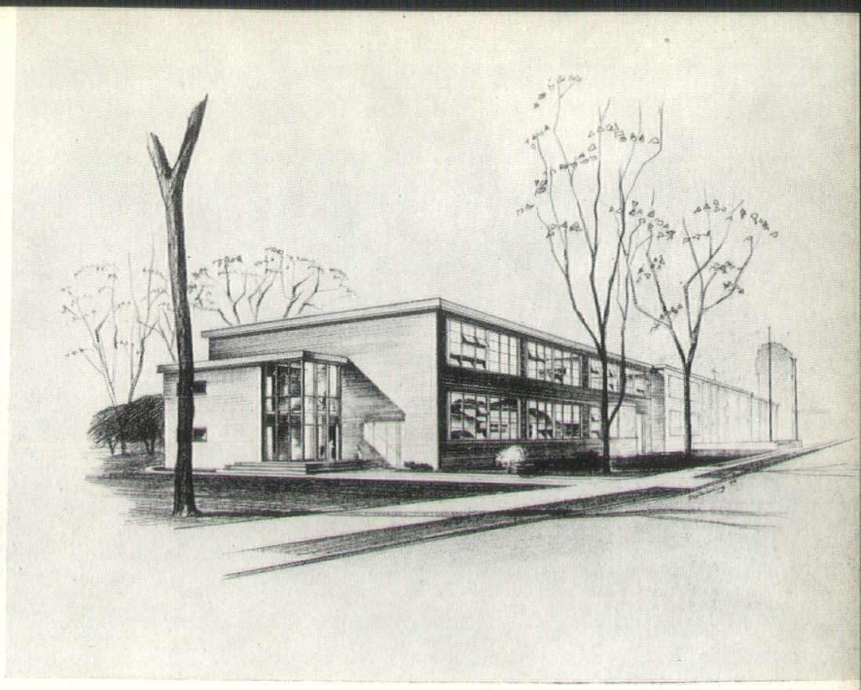

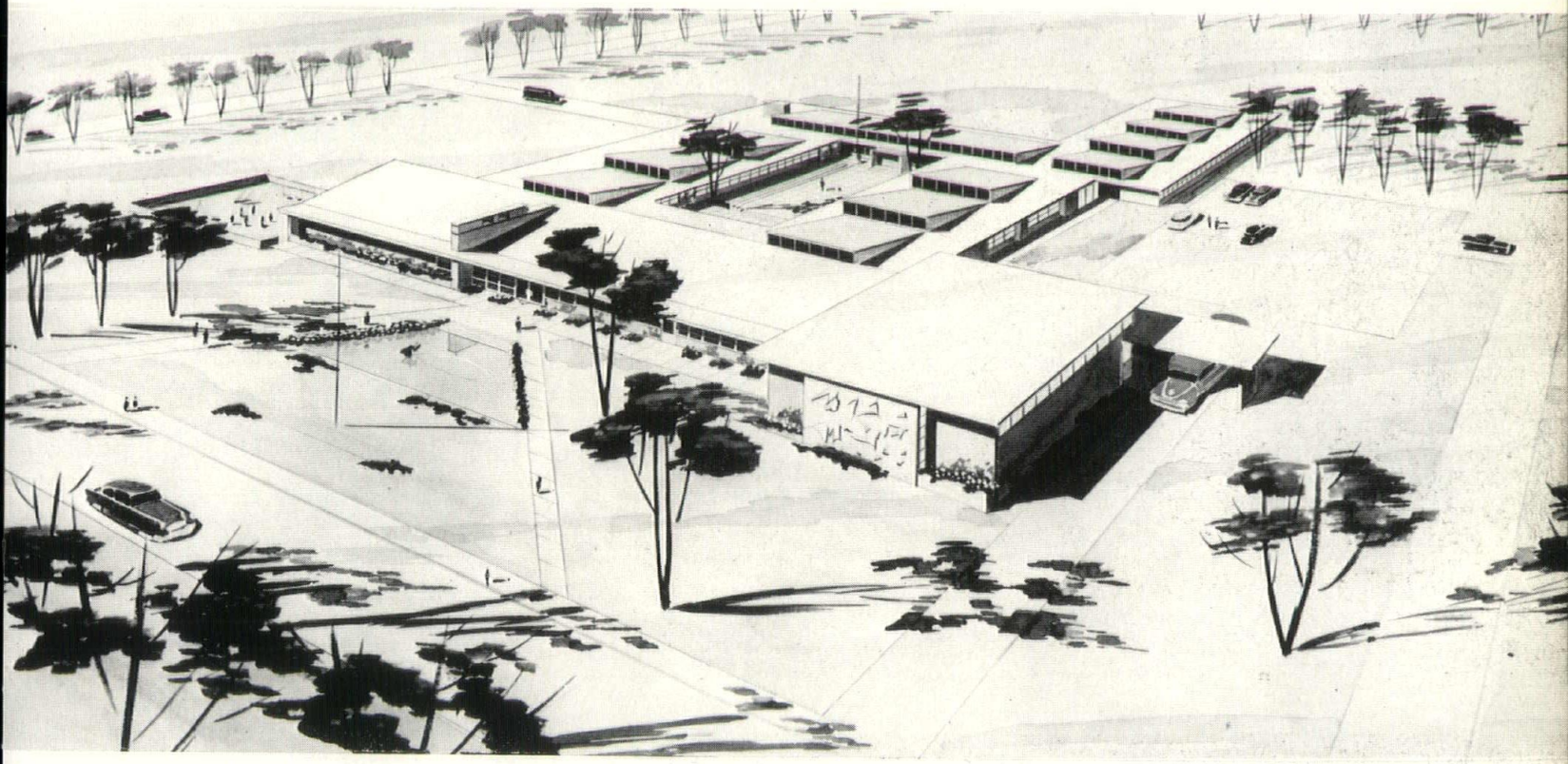

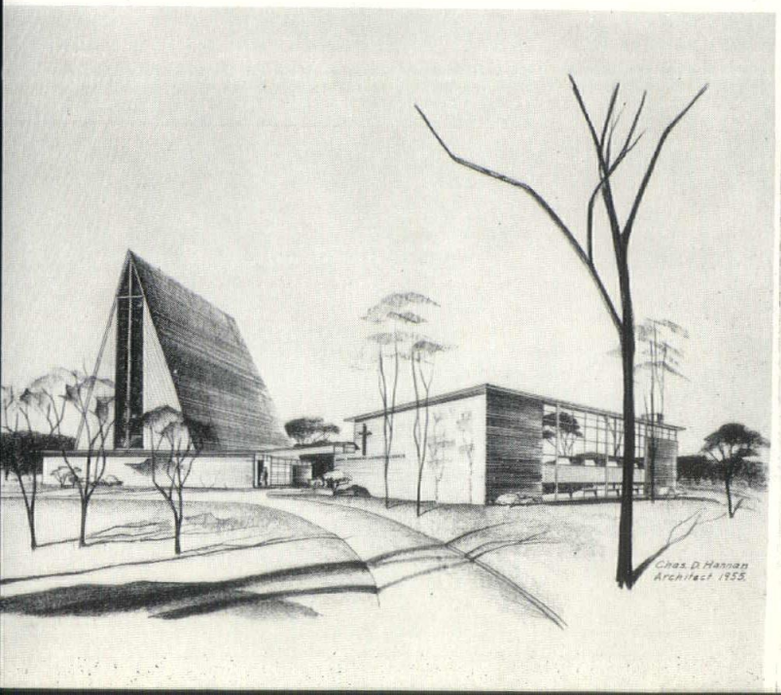
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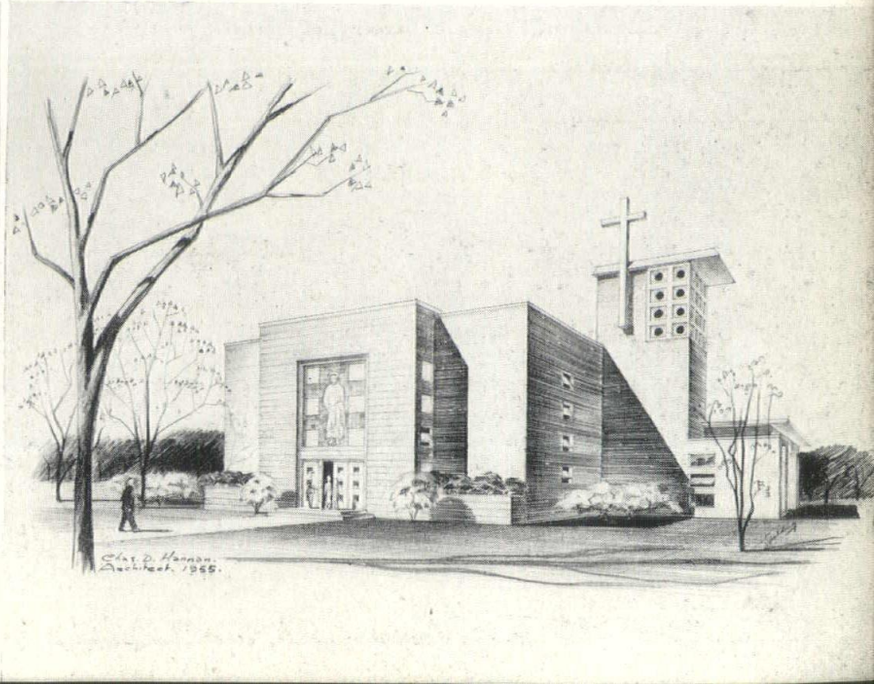
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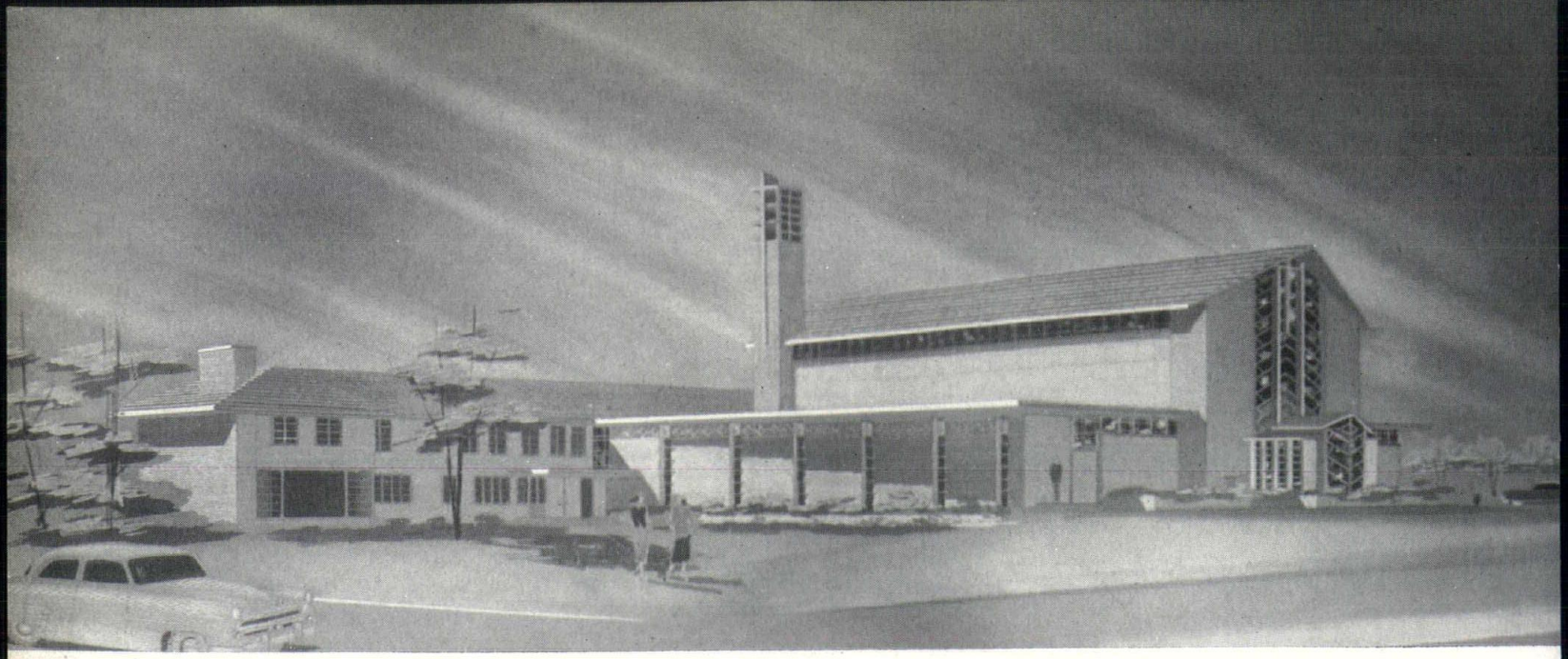

Upper:
St. Michael Parish
CHURCH & RECTORY
Pontiac, Michigan

Center:
FRIARY & PARISH OFFICES
Capuchin Fathers
St. Elizabeth Parish
Milwaukee, Wisconsin
(under construction)

Lower Left:
CHURCH & HALL
Our Lady of Victory Parish
Northville, Michigan

Lower Right:
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ADDITION
St. Frances Cabrini Parish
Allen Park, Michigan
(under construction)

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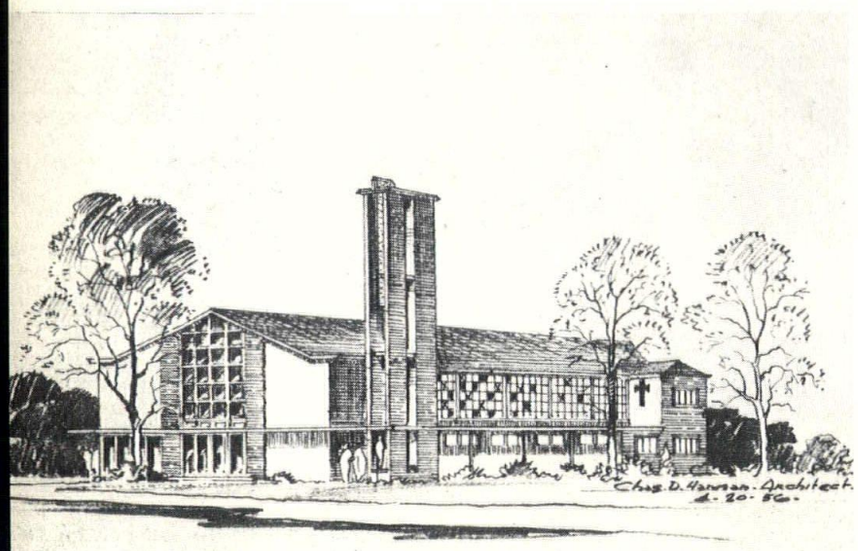
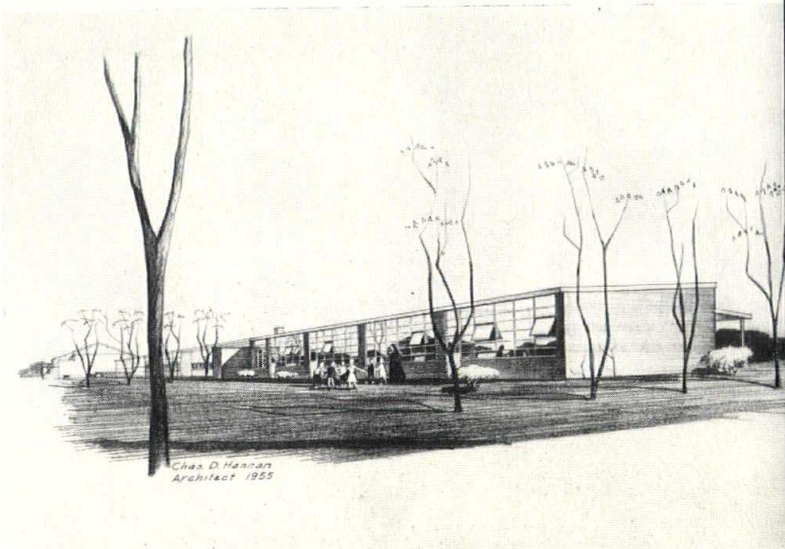
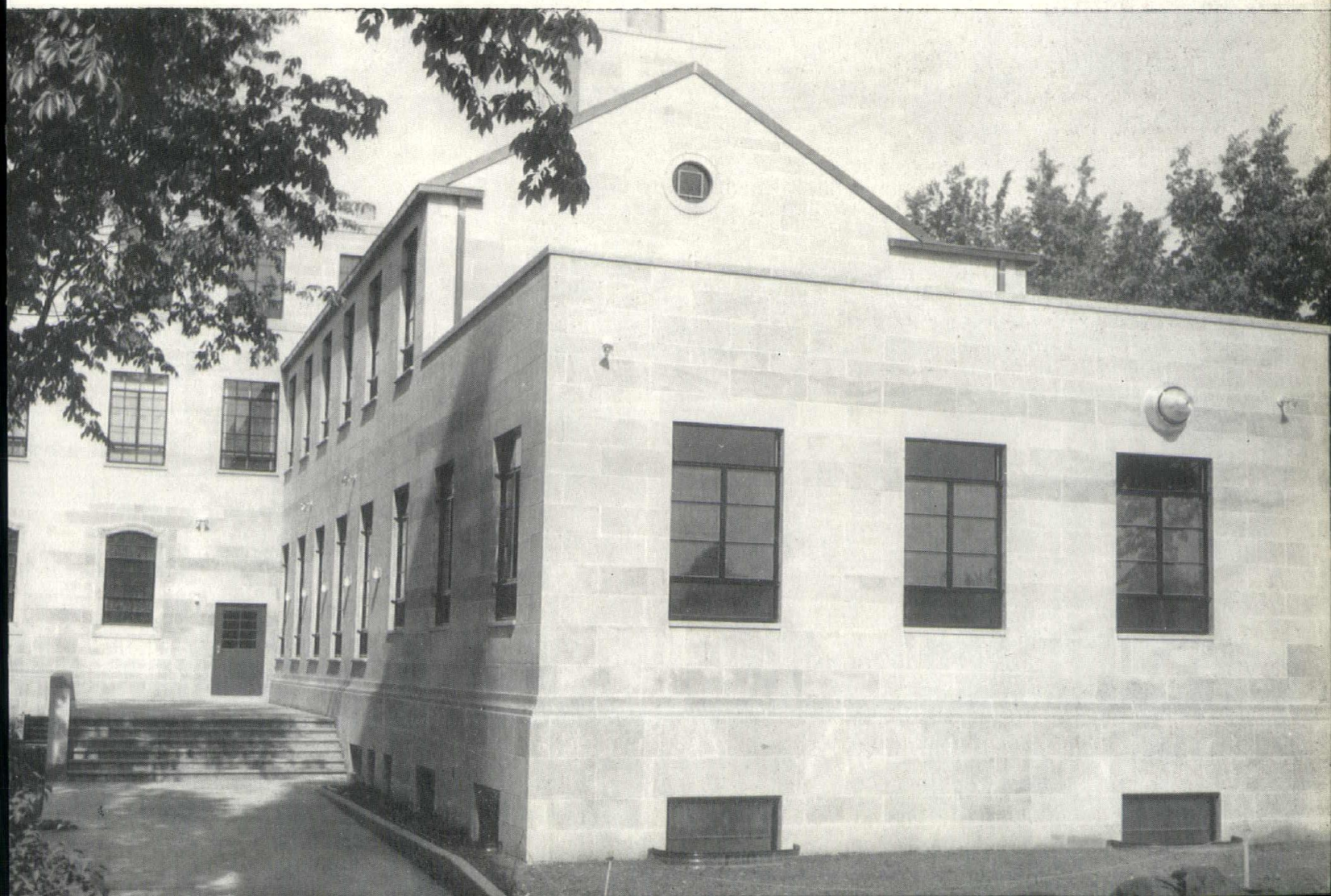
FACULTY HOUSE ADDITION
U of D High School
Jesuit Fathers
Detroit, Michigan







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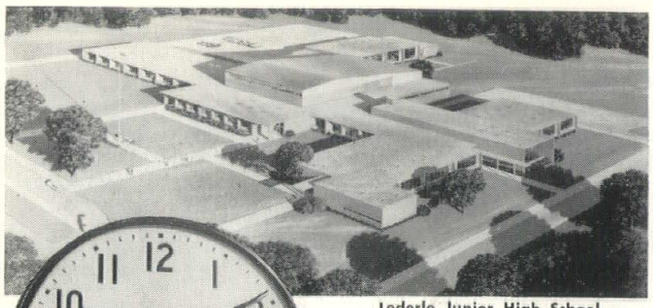

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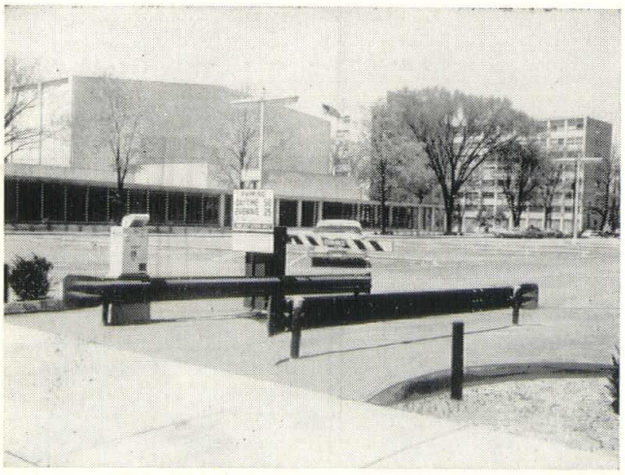

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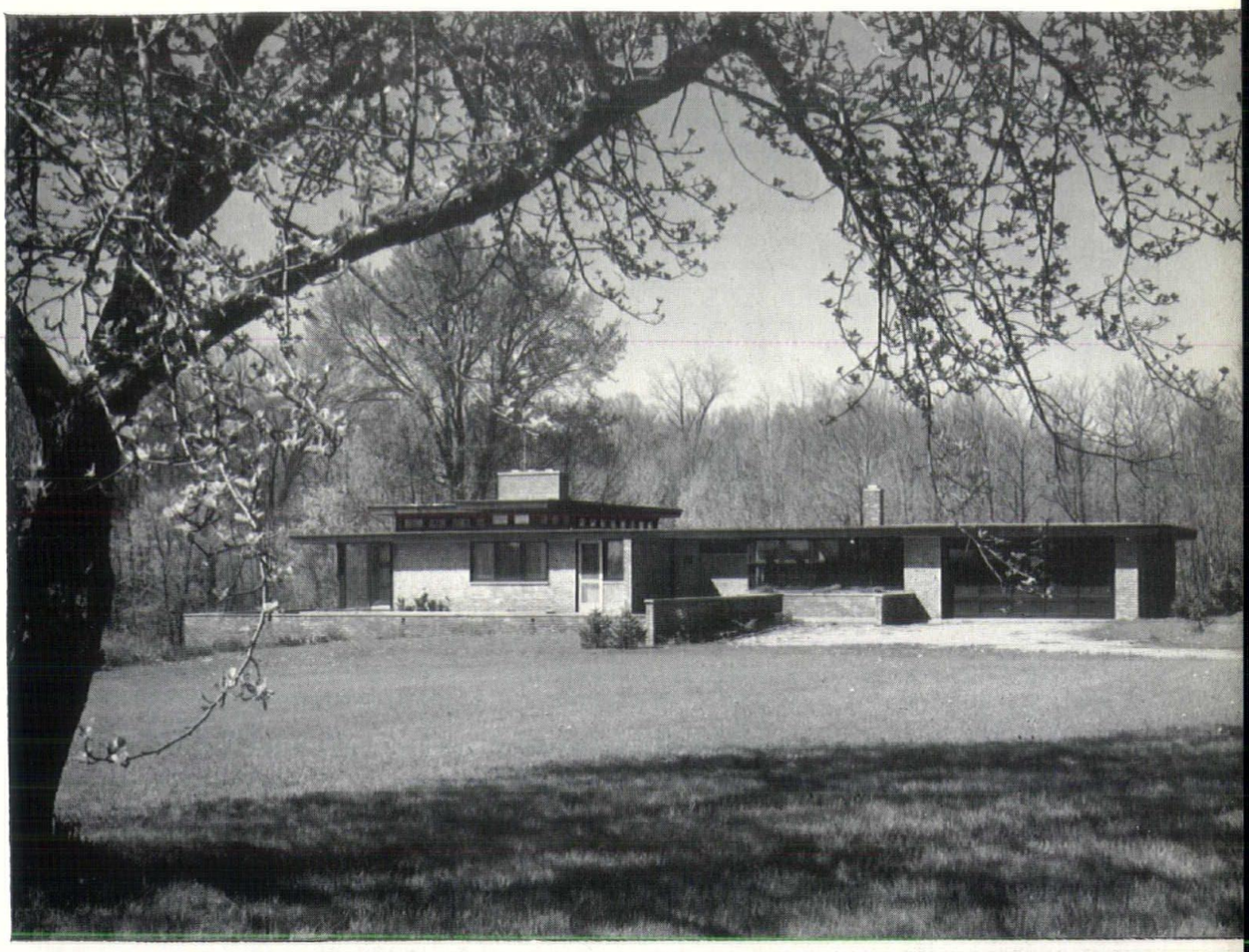

Saginaw Valley Chapter

Saginaw Valley Chapter, A.I.A. had its annual pilgrimage to the home of Alden and Vada Dow in Midland, the City of flowers and romance, on June 5.

After dinner the group moved to the auditorium of the Grace A. Dow Memorial Library for a business meeting and program.

The following committees were appointed:

PROFESSIONAL ETHICS — Frederick E. Wigen, Chairman; Vincent T. Boyle, S. A. Nurmi, William G. Wesolek.

MSA BULLETIN — Robert S. Gazall, Chairman; R. K. Berry, Robert W. Hammerschmidt, Thomas J. Sedgewick, Daniel W. Toshach.

Five new associate members were introduced:

R. G. Bell, C. A. Graham, N. A. Kline and R. E. Schwartz, all of Midland, and R. L. Currie, of Flint.

The Chapter voted to financially assist the Flint members of the SV Chapter in their recent architectural exhibit at the Flint Builders' Show.

Willard E. Fraser, the Chapter's representative, on the joint A. I. A. - A. G. C. Committee, explained what that Committee has accomplished and how it is being received to date. He reported that the Committee's mechanical and electrical specification outline will be issued in the near future.

Secretary Harvey C. Allison read an editorial from the May 10, 1956 issue of the Lapeer County Press, entitled, "Why do we need School Architects?" This editorial, which is reprinted in this issue of the Bulletin, is an attack on the architectural profession, and the Secretary was instructed to write a letter to the editor, answering his statements.

Secretary Allison's minutes of the meeting state:

"Our program for the evening was the motion picture, 'Architecture—U.S.A.' It seemed to be the majority opinion that the movie was a flop. We were disappointed that another film had been made 'for the laymen.' This continual underestimation of 'the laymen' simply weakens our whole case. We present ourselves as stylists rather than designers involved with the most fundamental principles of mankind's existence."

The next Chapter meeting will be in Bay City on September 11, when Chapter members will join with the MSA Board for dinner.

The December, 1956 issue of the MSA Bulletin will feature the work of Saginaw Valley Chapter members. Robert S. Gazall, 314 W. Paterson Street, Flint, is the Chapter's representative to collect the material.

DETROIT CHAPTER
DINNER MEETINGS, 1956-57

(Tentative Schedule)

No meetings in June, July or August.

All meetings at the Rackham Building in Detroit unless otherwise noted.

Thursday, September 13, 1956 — at Knoll Associates, Birmingham (Allied Arts meeting).

Wednesday, October 17—With Michigan Society of Architects Board (Annual Meeting & Election).

Tuesday, November 13.

Thursday, December 13.

Wednesday, January 16, 1957.

Friday, February 22 — Centennial Birthday Party, Statler.

Thursday, March 14.

Wednesday, April 17.

Tuesday, May 14—Jointly with Students.

Board meetings are held at 4:00 P. M. on the same days.

Reception at 6:00 P. M., dinner at 6:30, Program at 8:00 P. M.

The auditorium has been reserved for November, January and April.

Programs, speakers, subjects not given will be announced later.

MSA BOARD MEETINGS, 1956

Thursday, July 19—At President Manson's home in Lansing.

Friday, August 3—Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island.

Tuesday, September 11—With Saginaw Valley Chapter, in Bay City.

Wednesday, October 17 — With Detroit Chapter.

Thursday, November 15—Birmingham Country Club.

Tuesday, December 11 — Harmonie Club, Detroit.

WESTERN MICHIGAN CHAPTER
DINNER MEETINGS, 1956

Exact dates to be announced later, as are some of the subjects.

September — Lansing. SUBJECT: "Future for Small Practice," a panel discussion.

October — Grand Rapids. Annual Meeting and Election, Honor Awards program.

November — Battle Creek. Ladies' Night.

December—Lansing.

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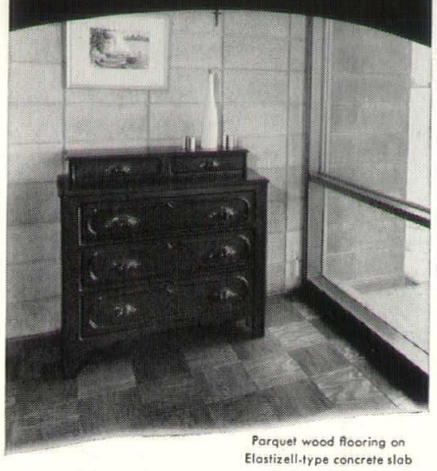

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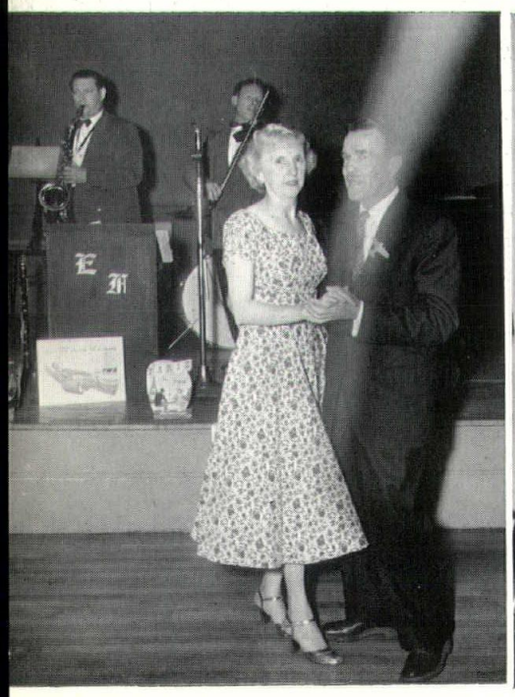

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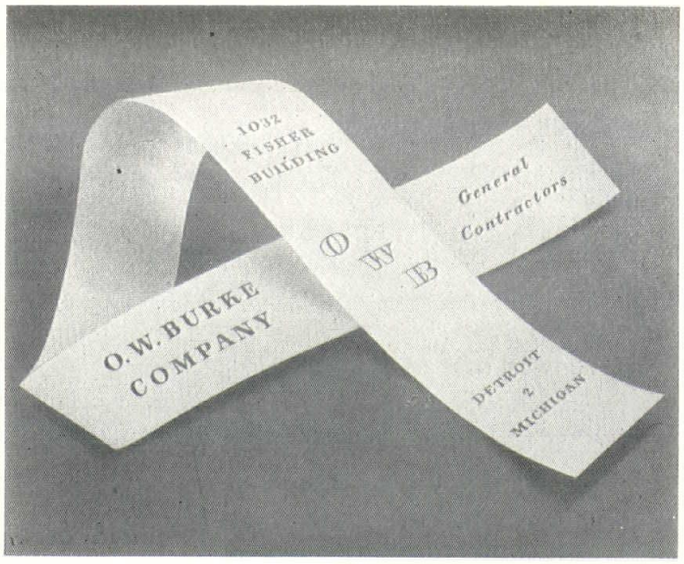
HAPPY LANDING DINNER DANCE, Women's Architectural League of Detroit, Women's City Club, June 1, 1956

SPEAKERS TABLE: Mrs. James B. Morison, Mr. & Mrs. Ernest J. Dellar, Mr. & Mrs. Frederick G. Stickel and Mrs. Edwin F. Noth. Same picture, right foreground: Mr. & Mrs. Charles L. Macchi; right background, wearing peacock designed dress: Mrs. Suren Pilafian; facing her: Gustave Muth.

UNDER SPOTLIGHT: Mr. & Mrs. L. Robert Blakeslee; SWITZERLAND: Mr. & Mrs. Charles H. MacMahon; DANCING: Mr. & Mrs. Stephen S. Page; PORTUGAL: Mr. & Mrs. Allan G. Agree and Mr. & Mrs. Edwin F. Noth; INDIA: Mr. & Mrs. Paul A. Brown and Mr. & Mrs. Frank L. Greer; PARIS: Mr. & Mrs. Carl A. Scheuffler and Mr. & Mrs. William H. Ellis; LONDON: Mr. & Mrs. Talmage C. Hughes and Mr. & Mrs. David H. Williams, Jr.



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John Ryan, building commissioner, of Ann Arbor, is chairman of the Committee. Victor C. Adler, A.I.A., of Detroit, is chairman of the architects division, and working with him are Prof. George B. Brigham, A.I.A., of Ann Arbor, and Ernest J. Dellar, A.I.A., of Detroit.

L. M. Dunn, of Port Huron, president of the Michigan Society of Professional Engineers, heads the engineers' division.

Other members of the Committee are Prof. Myles Boylan of East Lansing; Emery Colwell, East Lansing; L. L. Dawkins, Oak Park; Andrew Dempster, Detroit; Lawrence Guboy, Detroit; John Huss, Ann Arbor; Hon. Thomas Kavanagh, Attorney General, Lansing; Adrian N. Langius, F.A.I.A., Lansing; Elmer J. Manson, A.I.A., Lansing; Franklin C. McKim, Alpena; Anthony O'Chocki, Warren; Arnold C. Renner, East Lansing; Willard F. Shephard, Lansing; Frank S. Simpson, Detroit; A. R. Saunders, Detroit; Fred Sturm, Mt. Clemens; Glen Tom, Detroit; Meredith Vind, Kalamazoo; Prof. Louis Wolfanger, East Lansing, and Fred L. Yockey, Huntington Woods.

In appointing personnel to serve on the Commission, Governor William said:

"Tremendous advances in the building industry created by public demand, the great development of new types of construction materials and modern architectural design point up the great need for a modern housing code. There has been widespread interest among township, county and city governmental units in a housing code which would require types of construction that would protect buyers."

Elmer J. Manson, A.I.A., of Lansing, president of the Michigan Society of Archiects, says, "The Housing Code is important to our profession, the building industry, and, what is of greatest importance, the public of Michigan. We should make every effort to supply information to the Governor's Commission so that the revisions to the Code will be in the best interest of all concerned."

Victor C. Adler, speaking for the architects' sub-committee, says:

"Because I believe that it is important that the architects' subcommittee receive suggestions from all architects who are interested in this study of the present Housing Code, particularly those whose experience with it has indicated need for changes to permit advanced construction techniques or improved planning and design, your subcommittee would welcome suggestions for its guidance."

FRANK MONTANA, A.I.A., Head of the Department of Architecture at the University of Notre Dame, announces the University will sponsor a three-day seminar on "Parish Planning," for Architects and priests, on the campus of the University at Notre Dame, Ind., July 13-15, 1956.

Keynote address will be delivered by the Rev. Ernst Grieshaber, of Karlsruhe-Knielingen, Baden, Germany, on "What are the Most Important Spiritual Activities of the Parish, and how should they be Coordinated?"

On Saturday morning, July 14, Thomas H. Locraft, F.A.I.A., of Washington, D. C., Head of the Department of Architecture at Catholic University of America, will discuss the design for housing the most important activities of the parish and the proper coordination of such structures in the parish plant.

Saturday afternoon, Prof. Robert A. Leader, of the Art Department, University of Notre Dame, will discuss the kind of decoration appropriate for such structures, and Muralist Jean Charlot will indicate how this purpose can be achieved in Fresco. Charlot, distinguished painter, lecturer and teacher, is now at the University of Hawaii, in Honolulu. Other speakers will cover the various fine arts and their relation to parish work.

Saturday evening, the Rev. Ermin Vitry, O.S.B. will point out the important function of Georgian Chant and the building provisions that will be required to translate into action the spiritual activities of the parish.

Montana was a partner in the Detroit architectural firm of Pilafian & Montana until mid-1950, when he became head of Notre Dame's Architectural Department. While here his firm was engaged on various structures for Wayne University.

EARNEST BOYCE, Chairman, Department of Civil Engineering, University of Michigan, is the new President of The Engineering Society of Detroit. Boyce was elected President by the new Board of Directors at its organization meeting. He and other newly elected officers assume office July 1 for the fiscal year 1956-57.

Professor Boyce has long been active in ESD. A member of the Civic Affairs Committee since 1947, he was also its chairman. He served as ESD Director from 1952-55 being reappointed last March to fill a vacancy.

Other newly elected officers of ESD are:

1st Vice President—Kenneth R. Herman, President Vickers Corporation and Vice President Sperry Rand.

2nd Vice President — William H. Graves, recently retired Vice President Engineering, Studebaker-Packard.

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Other members of the Board of Directors are:

George H. Miehls, President Albert Kahn Associated Architects and Engineers.

Frederick Bauer, Customer Relations Manager, Ford Division, Ford Motor Company.

William Stirton, newly appointed Vice President, University of Michigan.

MAURICE B. KIMMINS, A.I.A., now conducting the practice of architecture in Pontiac, left by the late William C. Zimmermann, A.I.A., will move to West Palm Beach, Fla., July 1, to enter practice with George J. Votaw, A.I.A.

The Pontiac office will be in charge of William G. Frankenfield, who has been with the office for the past year. He had also been with Zimmermann previously for three years. He studied at Michigan State College, and is a graduate of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, class of 1950.

WALTER S. PALMER, an associate member of the Detroit Chapter, American Institute of Architects, has become engaged by Giffels & Vallet, Inc., L. Rossetti, Associated Engineers and Architects.

Palmer, who formerly was employed in Detroit architects' offices, had recently been wtih Louis C. Kingscott & Associates, of Kalamazoo.

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MANSON & CARVER, of Lansing, were architects for the new club building of the American Legion's Voiture 946 of the National 40/8 Society, in Lansing. It is a standard prefabricated trussless steel building, a product of the Wonder Building Corporation of America, of Chicago. The Construction contract was for $65,000, of which approximately $7,400 was for the Wonder Building shell, including erection and concrete floor slab.

"PLANNING TOGETHER FOR BETTER SCHOOL BUILDINGS" is the subject of a one-day conference for architects and educators scheduled by the College of Architecture and Design, University of Michigan, for Thursday, November 1, it is announced by Wells I. Bennett, F.A.I.A., dean of the College and chairman of the conference committee.

The Conference to be held at the Michigan Union in Ann Arbor, is being jointly sponsored by the Michigan Society of Architects, the College and the University's School of Education.

Eberle M. Smith, A.I.A., of Detroit, a member of the national School Committee of The American Institute of Architects, announces that the Committee will be meeting in Ann Arbor at the time of the conference ,and among members of the Committee who will participate in the Conference are architects William W. Caudill, F.A.I.A., of Bryan Texas and John Lyon Reid, F.A.I.A., of San Francisco.

Others on the program will be Archibald Shaw, superintendent of schools in Scarsdale, N. Y. and Dr. Arthur Rice, of the publication, National Schools.

Architects school administrators, school board members and school consultants are invited to attend.

ALFRED H. BERR, JR., of Cleveland, Ohio, has become a non-resident member of the Michigan Society of Architects, it is announced by Eberle M. Smith, A.I.A., of Detroit, Society vice president.

Berr, a graduate of Western Reserve University, is registered as an architect in Ohio, Michigan, Pennsylvania, New York, and by the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards. He is now a member of the Cleveland firm of The Osborn Company, Associated Architects and Engineers.

He received the Design Award of the Cleveland Chamber of Commerce in 1948 for his office building for the U. S. Steel Supply Co., and in 1954 for his design for the Union Carbide and Carbon Co.

DETROIT CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS, on invitation of The Detroit Institute of Arts, took part in a television program June 11, from 7:30 to 8:00 P. M. on WTVS, Detroit's educational channel 56.

As one of a series of programs entitled "The Living Record," presented weekly by the Institute of Arts, the architects' telecast was moderated by the DIA's William A. McGonagle and participated in by Suren Pilafian, president of Detroit Chapter, A.I.A.; Clair W. Ditchy, past president of the Institute's national body; Talmage C. Hughes, executive secretary of Detroit Chapter and the Michigan Society of Architects; Paul B. Brown, partner in the Detroit firm of Harley Ellington & Day, Inc., Architects and Engineers, and Karl O. Van Leuven, of Victor Gruen, Associated Architects and Engineers, Inc.

Ditchy spoke about the organization of the A.I.A. nationally, while Hughes discussed State and local bodies.

Brown, Pilafian and Van Leunevn used photographs, drawings and models in discussing projects being done by their firms.

SMITH, HINCHMAN & GRYLLS, INC., ARCHITECTS AND ENGINNERS state in their current monthly building cost report that there are a number of indications that prices of building material and labor will rise in the near future.

The report points to an increase in freight rates of about six per cent and the new minimum labor law which has just gone into effect. The latter will first affect the southern part of the country, the report states, but will soon spread to the rest of the country.

Regarding shortages of building supplies, the report states that the backlog of steel orders is increasing faster than tonnage is being produced, and it advises continuous efforts to plan as far ahead as possible.

Long-range planning is the only way that such shortages can be alleviated, the report concludes.

THE CHARLES W. ATWOOD RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS IN ARCHITECTURE for 1956-57 have just been announced by the University of Michigan, College of Architecture and Design, through Wells I. Bennett, F.A.I.A., deen of the College.

Two Fellowships of $3,500 each have been provided by Charles W. Atwood, A.I.A., of Wayne, Michigan, president and owner of the Unistrut Corporation. They are available to those qualified for admission as graduate students in the Department of Architecture at the College, and to those with master's degrees in architecture or equivalents. Applications will be received by the dean up to August 15, 1956.

Study and a report on a research project will be required of each candidate, and the Fellows will be appointed before September 1, 1956. Reports will be considered for publication by the Charles W. Atwood Research and Publication Foundation.

C. ALLEN HARLAN, president of Harlan Electric Company, again has been named chairman of the Detroit Torch Fund drive, commerce, trade and professions unit.

Last year Harlan's unit, which includes architects and the building industry, raised more than a half million dollars for the fund.

Gerald G. Diehl, A.I.A., chairman of the architects' division, raised more than $40,000, to exceed the division's quota.

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WALTER J. CONNORS, of 14558 Wisconsin Ave., Detroit has been elected an associate member of the Detroit Chapter, American Institute of Architects, it is announced by Arthur O. A. Schmidt, Chapter treasurer.

Connors, a native of Detroit, received his B. A. in architecture from the University of Detroit in 1952. He was employed by the architectural firm of Skidmore, Owings & Merrill on work in the South Pacific area, and then in Detroit offices.

At present he is with the firm of Yamasaki, Leinweber & Associates, Architects, of Royal Oak.

CARL W. DECKER AND LEO J. McGOUGH, both registered professional engineers, announce the opening of their office under the firm name of Decker & McGough, Inc., at 5361 E. Outer Drive, Detroit 34, Mich.

Decker formerly was executive vice president of Wolverine Contractors, and McGough was owner's representative for the Western Electric Company, Michigan Bell Telephone Company and others.

The new firm will serve as consulting engineers on structural work for architetcs and other engineers, as well as for their other clients.

LOUIS C. KINGSCOTT & ASSOCIATES, INC., Architects and Engineers, of Kalamazoo, Mich., recently opened its own new office building for its branch in Davenport, Iowa.

The new building, of modern design, is located at 321 West Kimberly Road, in Davenport, and it will house the expanding activities of the firm's western division, which has been in existence for some years.

GIFFELS & VALLET, INC., L. ROSSETTI, ASSOCIATED ENGINEERS AND ARCHITECTS, INC., have been honored by having their Continental Division Plant of the Ford Motor Company in Ecorse, Mich., selected by the publication, Factory Management for a special award in its annual design competition.

Referring to the Continental operation as "a noteworthy advancement in industrial plant design," the publication also commends the management of the Division for "its unusual achievement in incorporating advanced methods and concepts in this new facility."

CLAIR W. DITCHY, F.A.I.A., distinguished Detroit architect, has been awarded the honorary degree of doctor of engineering by Lawrence Institute of Technology.

Ditchy, who delivered the commencement address at LIT, is a past president of the local, state and national bodies of The American Institute of Architects. He was the recipient of the Michigan Society of Architects' 1955 Gold Medal for his service to the profession.

LESTER E. WHITEMAN, an associate member of the Detroit Chapter, American Institute of Architects, is now director of the firm of Associated Evangelical Architects, of Greenville, Ill.

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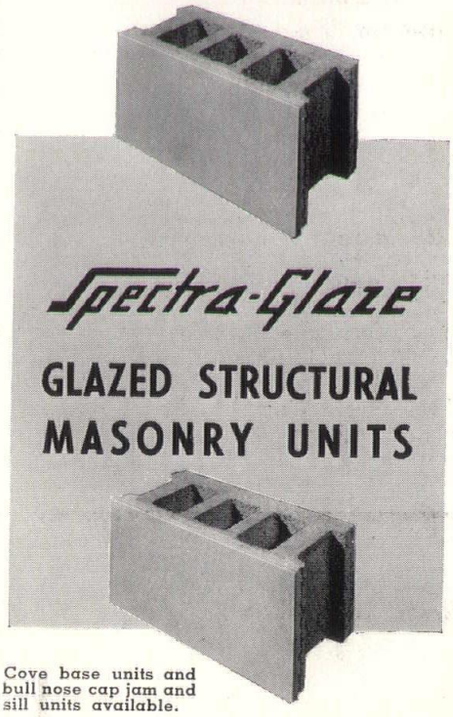

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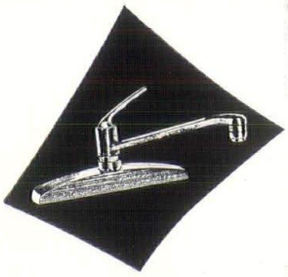

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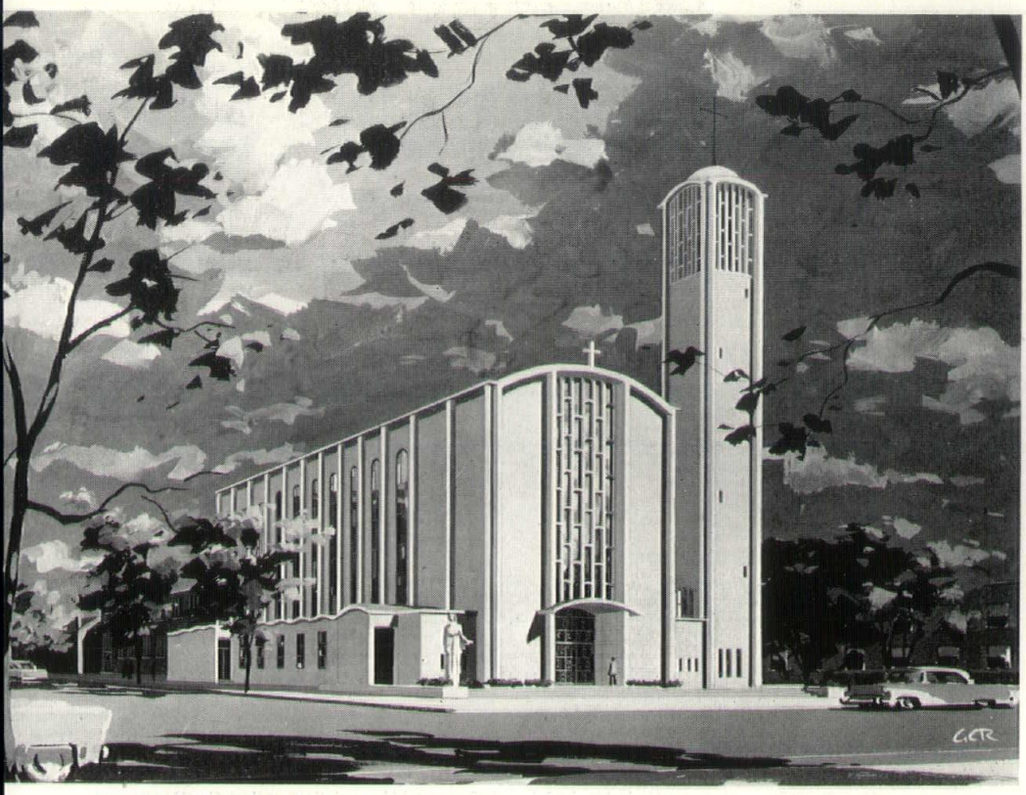

MINORU YAMASAKI, A.I.A., of Hellmuth, Yamasaki & Leinweber, Architects, of St. Louis and Detroit, has just returned from The American Institute of Architects' convention at Los Angeles, Calif., where he received the First Honor Award for his design of the St. Louis Airport.

The design was featured in the May issue of Architectural Forum, which stated:

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St. Columba Cathedral

Construction of the new St. Columba Cathedral, Diocese of Youngstown, Ohio, will begin in September, it is announced by Diehl & Diehl, of Detroit, architects for the structure.

Gerald G. Diehl, A.I.A., junior member of the firm that is nationally known for its church buildings, states that the Most Reverend Emmett Michael Walsh, Bishop of the Diocese, has approved awarding the $1,750,000 contract for the Cathedral to the Youngstown firm of Charles Shutrump & Sons.

The Cathedral will be built on the site of the old structure which was destroyed by fire two years ago.

Bishop Walsh believes the architects, in designing this Cathedral have created a stately, monumental structure with true grace and a deeply religious feeling, without reverting to a reproduction of a traditional type which is not a true expression of our modern progress, and he adds:

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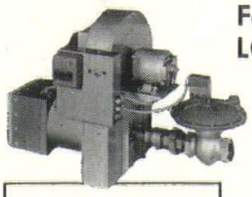

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A native of Georgia, Hubbard received his B.F.A. degree from the University of Georgia in 1942 and did supplementary work at the University of Chicago and Chicago Technical Institute. He comes to Niles from Chicago where he was Manager of Research for the architectural firm of Howard T. Fisher and Associates.

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WALTER W. SANDROCK, who recently was assigned to the Weldwood Movable Partition Department of the New York office of U. S. Plywood Corp., but retaining his office also in Detroit, was elected President of the Producers' Council, Inc., Michigan Chapter, at the dinner meeting held in the Hotel Fort Shelby Sky Room on June 11, 1956. Others elected to office were: Charles W. Trambauer of American Air Filter Co., vice president; G. Frederick Muller of Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co., treasurer; Henry C. Hall of ALCOA, secretary.

Outgoing treasurer Don Ollesheimer reported a $6,000.00 balance in the Chapter's kitty.

The organization voted to sponsor a cocktail party prior to the annual banquet of the Michigan Society of Architect's Conference to be held at the Grand Hotel, in August.

Among those in attendance at the dinner were: William A. Snure, C. E. Battiste of Unistrut Detroit Service Co.; C. H. Starkey of Minneapolis-Honeywell; E. L. Williams of Zonolite Co.; R. J. Adam of Dow Chemical Co.; R. E. Whiting of Inland Steel Products Co.; J. F. Wilkowski of Schlage Lock Co.; Anthony Kross of Kawneer Co.; C. E. Thornton, C. Bjarnason, Ray J. Ludwig of Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co.; Earl Thompson of Truscon Laboratories.

LeRoy Smith, J. R. Montgomery, Jr., and J. W. Davies of Truscon Steel Div.; Rex Marshall of Marshall Products; Dick Pass, Gene Hannum, Bill Taliaferro, R. P. Grauer, and William A. Mixon of Armstrong Cork Co.; Sam Burtman of Century Brick Co., George Barcy of Ford Motor Co.; Al Hann of Hillyard Chemical Sales; Louis Ollesheimer of Fiat Metal Mfg. Co.; Paul Marshall of ALCOA; John Finn of Pittsburgh Corning; Ed Parker of U. S. Plywood Co.; Charles M. Houff of E. S. Hauserman Co.; R. C. Faulwetter of U. S. Ceramic Tile Co. and Sparta Ceramic Co.; Dick Rhodes of American Air Filter Co.

Ernie Baker of Mich. Consolidated Gas Co.; Gene Sipps, Penn Metal Co., Inc.; J. K. Bassett of American-Standard; Bill Oliver of Roddis Plywood of Michigan; H. J. Krueger of Congoleum-Nairn, Inc.; and J. R. Starkey of Crane Co.

G. DONALD KENNEDY, President of the Portland Cement Association has announced the appointment of Leo H. Corning to the newly created position of Director of Promotion Planning and Engineering Services, with headquarters in the Association's General Office at 33 West Grand Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. He will report directly to Vice President for Promotion James D. Piper.

Corning joined the staff of the Association's Structural and Railways Bureau in 1929 and served as manager of the Bureau from 1949 until his appointment to Director of Promotion in 1952.

Prior to joining the Association, Corning was employed in various engineering capacities in Ohio and Florida. Following World War I, in which he served as an officer-instructor in the Coast Artillery Corps of the U. S. Army, he was affiliated with M. A. Hanna Co. of Cleveland. Later he was engineer of design of the Cleveland Water Department and structural engineer with the Foundation Co., contractors and engineers of Chicago.

Corning was graduated in civil engineering with Bachelor of Science and Civil Engineering degrees from Case Institute of Technology in Cleveland. He is a registered architect in Florida and a registered professional engineer in Florida and Illinois. Memberships in technical organizations include the American Society of Civil Enginers, American Concrete Institute, Reinforced Concrete Research Council sponsored by the Engineering Foundation, American Society for Engineering Education, International Association for Bridge and Structural Engineering, and Sigma Xi.

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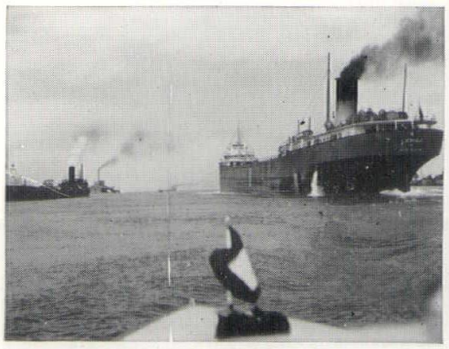

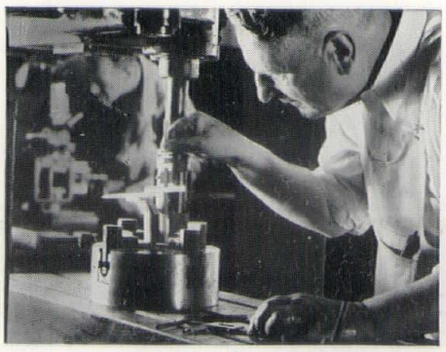

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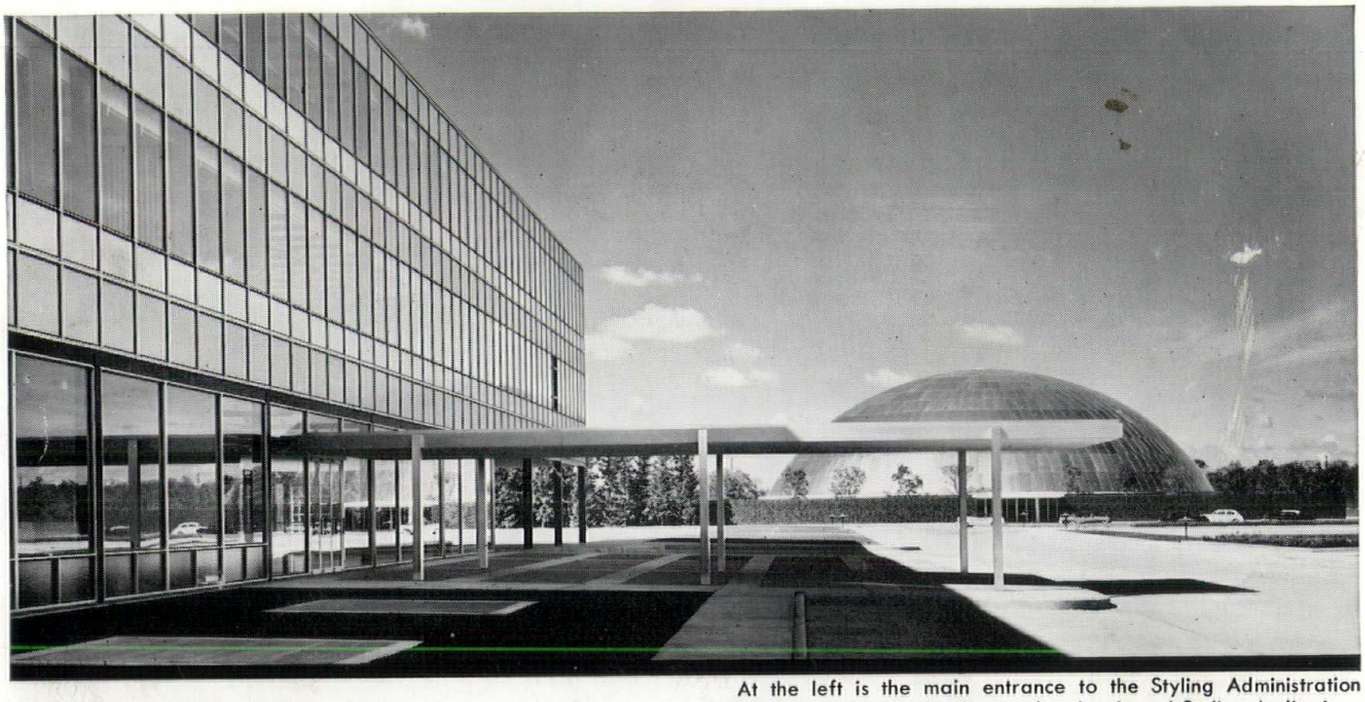

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